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BIRTHS.

BOURKE—February 7, 1929, to Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Bourke, 25 Lower Leeson street, a daughter.

DUFFY—March 1, 1929, at Albert road, Glenageary, to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Duffy, a son.

DWYER—February 25, 1929, at "Stella Maris," Earlsfort terrace, to Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Dwyer, 58 Palmerston road, a son.

FOOTT—February 20, 1929, at Kilshannig House, Mallow, to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Foott, a son.

MORGAN—February 18, 1929, at Private Nursing Home, 12 Upper Leeson street, Dublin, the wife of W. J. Morgan, B.A., B.A.I., Kano, Nigeria, West Africa, of a son.

O'DWYER—February 26, 1929, at "Stella Maris," Earlsfort terrace, to Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Dwyer, Streamstort House, Woodlawn, County Galway, a daughter.

RYAN—February 27, 1929, the wife of James R. Ryan, Solicitor, 3 Upper Carlville avenue, Rathgar, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BOURKE and LEECHMAN—January 26, 1929, at Muswell Hill, London, N.10, John Bourke, to Lilian Maud Leechman, both of Dublin.

McDONALD and DEERING—February 6, 1929, at the Cathedral, Carlow, with Nuptial Mass, by the Most Rev. Doctor Cullen, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, assisted by Very Rev. Monsignor Delaney, P.P., V.F., Rathvilly; Rev. J. Dunny, Adm., Carlow; Rev. J. Mahon, Adm., Tullow; Rev. J. Fitzsimons, C.C., Tullow—Thomas McDonald, M.R.C.V.S., Ardristan Lodge, Tullow, son of Mrs. McDonald and the late Patrick McDonald, Grange, Tullow, to Annie, eldest daughter of Thomas and Mrs. Deering, Knockavogh House, Rathvilly, County Carlow.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BLACK—March 1, 1929, at her residence, St. Edwards, Templeogue road, Sarah, relict of the late Joseph Black, R.I.P. Funeral on Monday morning from St. Joseph's, Terenure, after 10 o'clock Mass.

BURKE—March 1, 1929, at her residence, 157 Rathmines road, Miss Margaret Burke. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from Rathmines Church, after 10 o'clock Mass, on Monday morning to Glasnevin Cemetery.

DALY—February 28, 1929, at his residence, 209 Pembroke road, Dublin, Charles Daly, Solicitor and Under-Sheriff, County Kildare, R.I.P. Funeral (private) this (Saturday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass at St. Mary's, Haddington road. No flowers by request.

D'ARCY—March 1, 1929, in Dublin, George Francis, youngest son of the late Richard D'Arcy, Ballick Lodge, Wicklow, aged 55. Funeral private. English papers please copy.

EWART—February 26, 1929, at her residence, Glenmachan, Belfast, Mary Warren, widow of the late Sir William Quartus Ewart, Bt., in her 80th year.

FOTTRELL—February 28, 1929, at 41 Raglan road, Dublin, from pneumonia, after a brief illness, Frank, son of the late Sir George Fottrell, K.C.B., R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers, by request.

GOGARTY—March 1, 1929, at her residence, 87 West street, Drogheda, Margaret, relict of the late Alexander Francis Gogarty, and mother of the Rev. T. Gogarty, C.C., and the Rev. E. Gogarty, O.P. R.I.P. Remains will be removed to St. Peter's, West street, to-morrow (Sunday) evening at 8 o'clock. Office and High Mass on Monday morning next at 11 o'clock. Funeral at 12 o'clock to St. Peter's New Cemetery. No flowers, by request. Masses invited.

KAVANAGH—February 28, 1929, at his residence, Beaupark, Monkstown, Dublin, Michael Joseph Kavanagh, J.P., late of Jordanston House, County Kilkenny. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral (private) from St. Patrick's, Monkstown, after 9.30 Mass, this (Saturday) morning. No flowers, by request.

KERNAN—March 1, 1929, at 36 Northumberland road, Dublin, Katie, eldest daughter of the late Hubert Kernan, Capta, Carrickmacross. R.I.P.

McKENNA—March 1, 1929, at his residence, Mountjoy, Strathalby, David Edge McKenna, in his 82nd year. Funeral to-morrow (Sunday) at 2 p.m.

McNEIGHT—February 27, 1929, in London, Olive, the second daughter of the late William J. McNeight, of Dublin.

NOONEY—At his residence, Annebrook, Mollingar, Thomas Francis Nooney. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Office and High Mass to-day (Saturday) morning, 2nd March, at 11 o'clock, to Dramgooley, Delvderry. Office and High Mass at Rathangan Chapel on Monday morning, 4th March, at 11 o'clock.

O'TOOLE—February 15, 1929, at Eltham, London, Alice, eldest daughter of late Rev. M. O'Toole. Deeply regretted.

PEARSON—February 28, 1929, at Howth Lodge, Howth, John B. Pearson. Funeral Temple Hill Cemetery, 10 o'clock to-day (Saturday). No flowers, by request.

RICHARDSON—February 28, 1929, at his residence, Springfield Five Alley, Birr, Rev. William Richardson, late Rector of Lorrha, in his 87th year. Funeral to-day (Saturday), 2 o'clock to Clonoghill Cemetery. "Peace, perfect peace."

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Mr., Mrs., and Harry Armstrong, Renvyle, 14 Madison road, beg to return sincere thanks to all those who so kindly sent messages of sympathy to them following the loss of dear Albert, and trust this acknowledgment will be accepted by all, as it would be impossible to reply individually.

John Cooper Chadwick and his sons desire to thank the many relatives and friends who, by personal attendance, letters, telegrams, and floral tributes, sympathised with them in their bereavement. They trust that this acknowledgment will be accepted by all.—Waverley Drive, Bangor, County Down.

Mrs. W. S. Graham and family, 318 N.C. road, Dublin, desire to convey their sincere thanks to the many kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. O'Connor and family, Strokestown, County Roscommon, desire to return their sincere thanks to all the kind friends who sent telegrams, letters, and messages of sympathy to them in their recent bereavement, and trust they will accept this in grateful acknowledgment.

Mrs. Whiteside, Harry, and **Cecil** desire to thank all the kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; also Mrs. Bayers, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Byrne, and the Staff of Messrs. Bayers, and Co., for wreaths; and hope they will all accept this as a grateful acknowledgment.

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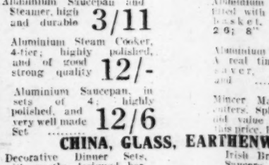

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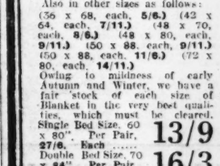

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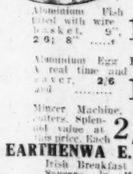

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PEOPLE WE KNOW

IN TOWN AND COUNTRY.

THE INDEPENDENT DOG

(By W. M. LEITS.)

MOST of us know a Robinson family. They are friendly folk, and we are sure to see or hear them at some time in the day. They like a garden, and, if you happen to be digging, one or two of them will often stand by and keep you company. In the house one sometimes finds them a little too friendly. I am thinking of the Robinson family I know best; for one of them generally drops in to every meal, and you meet one or other in the hall or in the kitchen at most hours of the day. But then the friendship is a sort of hereditary affair. It began long ago with a gentleman we called "Bobby-with-the-white-leg." You see, in this family it is very hard to know one member from another or lady from gentleman. Robin and Robin's son are just like each other, except at the speckled stage of youth, when young Robinson is modest and hops just inside the dining-room window.

To return to Bobby-of-the-white-leg, he was a veteran. We knew him year by year. Then he vanished. Never ask a robin after his father. I fear that patricide is not too rare in this family, and young Robinson may be a sort of Christy, the Playboy of the Western World, who boasts of having "slain his da."

BOBBY AND YOUNG ROBINSON.

There is a robin we call "Bobby"—whether he is always himself or sometimes herself or yet another self I cannot be sure. For Bobby's sake the hole in the kitchen window never can be mended; for it is his door. All day he flies in to see his faithful friends, to feed from their hands or from their lips, to ask for a little grated cheese or for some oatmeal. In the recent cold weather he stayed in the kitchen night and day. Last spring he introduced a shy young Mrs. Bobby, who remained in the scullery, squeaking hungrily till her lord ran to feed her.

When the dining-room window stood open all day, Bobby came regularly to take his bread from the loaf, to help himself to a pat of butter or just to inspect our plates. Round-eyed, impudent, inquisitive, he hopped from plate to plate, to take notes of the ways of that queer creature, man. In time he brought young Robinson to the window. Young Robinson was modest and waited on a side table till summoned to join his father at the loaf. By now young Robinson has a red breast, and how shall we know if he is clear of murder if we see but one robin?

FREE MEALS.

While the Robinsons are a little familiar and free and easy, there are other families who come only in the pathetic quest of those free meals which winter makes so necessary. The guests are a little unwilling, and it is kinder to hide behind a curtain and not to seem to observe them. These are the "Brethren of Noble Poverty," and they would prefer to feed themselves rather than to accept the bounty of the window-sill. Thrushes and blackbirds are shy, reluctant pensioners. They are off and away as soon as possible. The chaffinches, so exquisite, both of them, in their soft colours, are more willing guests. They come again and again, and Master Cock Chaffinch will not be brow-beaten or bullied by Master Robin. The hedge-sparrow (the "dunnock," Earl Grey prefers to call him) is a regular diner, too. So very sober and gentle he is, a little Quaker among birds. He and his wife spend hours in exploration round a Mexican orange bush.

The green linnets are wild, occasional visitors. They come from more mountainy parts, rejoice the eye for a little, and are gone. The tit family, most flower-like of all our visitors, come regularly and eagerly. They prefer their own fare from a cocoanut or from a little earthenware pot that I used to hang up for them. The blue tits are gymnastic feeders, liking to be upside down while they eat. After the cocoanut was finished they were much pleased with a mixture of pounded dog-biscuits, oatmeal and dripping. All the guests liked it, but it belonged to the tits. The great tits accepted peanuts with enthusiasm. The shy one of the clan is the cole tit, a soberly dressed little visitor, who takes his meal and is off again. He has a gentle charm, less than the flower-like grace of the blue tit or the brave gallantry of the great tit, but a charm not the less.

The most pathetic visitors that I saw in the cold snap were pied wagtails. They sat on the frozen ground below the door-step, like so many little balls of feathers. They were aliens from home life, little water-sprites, forced to unwilling familiarity with suburban life. Their perpetual wagging, their swift running, were stilled. They waited patiently in the winter dusk. Nature seemed a hard step-mother to the wagtails.

DOGS AND THEIR HOBBIES.

Having divorced the dog from his proper duties, can we wonder that the domestic dog suffers terribly from boredom? Being a pet is a miserably tedious business. I have no sort of doubt that the sheep dog and the continental draught dog lead far better, happier lives than the dogs we keep to amuse ourselves. Once in a Grindelwald hotel my bedroom overlooked the premises of the milkman. Oh, what a joyous dog was his when his master came in sight with the harness! The dog jumped and bounded until he was in his traces, ready to draw, and then off he went with a will, knowing that he was a worker, man's partner, a dog of importance. His mid-day siesta in a shadow near the station was a happy time of rest, well-earned.

A dog is a busy body. He wants to have a finger, or a paw rather, in every pie. He would rather adopt man than that man should adopt him. Deprived of any job, he looks round almost in despair for something to do. It is a dog in such a mood that constitutes himself a canine policeman. He will not have any car or cart exceed his idea of a speed limit. If it does, the dog rushes after or bounds in front, uttering the severest reprimands.

Of such a mind is a notable character, Sam, a fox terrier who guards Upper Fitzwilliam street, Dublin. A more roguish eye I have never seen on a dog; for he knows that his hobby is forbidden. Yet off he goes after every car and eludes punishment with a whisk of the tail. One day Sam was rolled over by a car, but he picked himself up, took very careful stock of his tail to see if it were still intact, and off he ran away after the next car. Yet how true a character he is! I have seen him where perambulators were parked at a shop door, search diligently for his own little girl and rejoice over her. Yet some day even nine lives must forfeit for such a hobby. Another dog's hobby is to go alone to Messrs. Dunn and Thomas to watch the filling of the cash-balls overhead. His dream is to catch one. Alas! what an urban hobby for any dog. How barren a life is town for a dog! It is no wonder that most dogs adore motoring. How soon they know what the family car means—a drive and the country! I have seen supplicants for a drive sit shivering on the back seat lest at the last moment they should be left at home.

There are certain dogs which, either from lack of a home or indifference to home, become independent, and one meets them here, there and everywhere. For a long time a certain mongrel lived in and about Merrion square. No philanthropist could catch him, and for a year or more he enjoyed his own free life. He was not hungry enough to care for the well-meant bun. He haunted garages and picked up enough living to keep himself in fairly satisfactory independence. Now there is another character; but I believe he has his own home—any way he has acquired the name, "Jack." He is a long-legged, rather grizzled Airedale; my pity for him is that his eyes are sore so often. One meets him in his swinging trot, going to a grocery shop in Baggot street. He seems assured of kindness, but his manner is austere. Never have I seen him wag his tail or respond with a glance to friendly hand or voice. He seems a dog intent on business. I hear that he is a ratter, and probably that sport makes him disdainful of mere talk.

A last word for the prisoners in cages. Some divine instinct makes some of them sing in spite of the deprivation of everything lovely and free-born in bird life. Yet the song in a city street seems a reproach to us. What pleasure can we find in denying so much pleasure to one born to the trees and the winds and the fields? How needless a grief we add to life in caging birds!

HERMIONE LECTURE.

PAINTING IN MEDIÆVAL ITALY.

The last of the series of Hermione Lectures was given yesterday at Alexandra College, Dublin, by Mr. W. G. Constable, whose subject was "Painting in Mediæval Italy." Professor Joly presided.

In Northern Europe, Mr. Constable said, there had been a constant tendency, until the end of the fourteenth century, towards uniformity in style. At the same period, in Italy, there were forces making for considerable marked differences from the art that held sway in Northern Europe. In the first place, the barrier of the Alps to some extent hindered the free interchange of methods and ideas necessary to similarity of style. But there was much closer connection than is often realised; the influence of Pope and Emperor tended to bring Northern ideas into Italy and Italian ideas into Europe.

In early Italian painting the ideas imparted in Celtic art are found cropping up in the eighth and ninth centuries; with the Ottonian Renaissance in the tenth and eleventh centuries came further Northern influence, and in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries Northern Gothic art exercised deep influence on Italian art. Then from Avignon, the outpost of Sienese art in France, influence penetrated right up to England. In the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries Italian influence was seen to a marked degree in Flanders. Nevertheless, there was a marked difference between art in Italy and in Northern Europe. This difference followed two main courses in Italy; the classical tradition persisted as it did nowhere else in Europe; on the literary and social and political side the influence of classical antiquity was a constant element in the life of the Middle Ages in Italy. The second difference was the influence of Byzantine art, which was stronger and more persistent than in Northern Europe.

SLOW DEVELOPMENT.

For these reasons Italian art developed less distinctive character than that of Northern Europe; it was not until the end of the thirteenth century that anything very definitely Italian emerged, and in that, and the fourteenth century, changes took place, due to the rise of the Franciscan movement, which introduced into the religious outlook of the time a new element, concerning itself much more with nature, and this reacted upon the art of the period. Looking at the art of thirteenth century Italy, we see several main currents at work; the first was purely Byzantine, and the chief centre of this kind of painting was Tuscany. Side by side with this type of art and its modifications was the Franciscan style, whose exponents produced mainly pictures of Christ on the Cross.

The first great figure in Italian painting is Cimabué, who is mentioned by Dante as the most famous painter in Florence before Giotto. He was active at the end of the thirteenth and the beginning of the fourteenth centuries. There is only one piece of work in existence which is ascribed with absolute certainty to him—a mosaic at Pisa of Christ enthroned between the Virgin and St. John. With the name of Cimabué is connected the famous Madonna in the Church of Santa Maria Novello in Florence.

DUCCIO.

The greatest figure of the early Sienese School was Duccio; his most famous work is the Maesta, completed in 1309 for the Cathedral of Siena. This painter must be regarded as the last of the Byzantines, rather than as the creator of a new type of art. He humanised, and made more gracious and lovely, Byzantine art; but it was a modification, not a re-creation.

In Rome, as might have been expected from its close connection with Byzantium, the maintenance of Byzantine tradition remained marked. Much more important, however, was the development of the influence of classical antiquity. The chief figure in connection with this was one of the greatest artists of his time, Pietro Cavallini, born about the middle of the thirteenth century. His earliest known work was a series of mosaics in Sante Maria, in Trastevere, Rome.

THE ROMAN SCHOOL.

Only in recent years has the importance of the Roman School been realised. In addition to its own achievements, it was the nursery of one of the greatest artists in the world, Giotto, born about 1266, who died in 1336. He is a figure of many picturesque legends, and the centre of endless controversy. He is said to have been a pupil of Cimabue, but his work bears little signs of that artist's influence. He worked all over Italy, and is said to have visited Avignon and Paris. There is strong evidence of his having been in Rome for some time while comparatively young, but no work in that city survives which is certainly by him. The first group of paintings which are probably by him is the famous series of the Life of St. Francis, in the Upper Church at Assisi. They are certainly not all by him—probably only nineteen out of the twenty-eight—and there have been competent critics who denied that even nineteen are by him. Whether or not these frescoes are by him, the even more famous series in the Arena Chapel at Padua are certainly his, and are one of the most amazing and wonderful products of man's genius.

At the close of the lecture Professor Joly proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Constable, and it was accorded with acclamation.

In replying, Mr. Constable thanked the audience for the attention they had given to his lectures. "I always feel," he said, "that one's audience can help in the success of lecturing. I also wish to thank one whom I am always glad to call my colleague—the man who worked the lantern."

SOUTH IRISH HORSE.

The dance which is being held at the Plaza on Monday, 18th March, in aid of the South Irish Horse Memorial Bed Fund promises to be a very big success, judging by the exceptionally large demand for tickets. Mr. Alec B. Fryer and his Capitol Band have kindly consented to be present. Billy Esder and his Plaza Band will supply a very special musical programme. The Committee enjoys a high reputation for the holding of successful functions, and the dance should commend itself generally.

The South Irish Horse Memorial Window will be unveiled at Ypres on Sunday, 24th March. Members of the regiment who desire to be present should communicate immediately with the Hon. Secretary, 14 Merrion row, Dublin.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

The third of a series of special sermons in connection with the Church of Ireland Home Mission Society, on "Christian Fundamentals," will be preached in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, to-morrow, at Afternoon Service (3.30 o'clock) by the Rev. John Tobias, B.D., Rector of Rathmines, on "The Divine Spirit." The preacher at Morning Service (11 o'clock) will be the Rev. Canon E. H. Lewis-Crosby, B.D., Rector of Stillorgan.

MASONIC SERVICE.

A special Masonic Service, by permission of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, will be held in North Strand Parish Church to-morrow evening. The preacher will be Canon D. F. R. Wilson, M.A. The collection will be for the Masonic benevolent institutions. Seats will be reserved up to 6.45 p.m. for members of the Order wearing Craft regalia.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY.

Temple Hill's History : Some "Howlers" : Baggot Street's Plight
Modern Foxhunting : An Irish Film : Two Cities.
Alsatian Dogs : Traffic in Dublin.

Temple Hill.

Passing Temple Hill with its colony of new houses and in the background the old mansion standing silent and deserted, reminded me of the story told about it when it belonged to John Scott, Chief Justice of the King's Bench, in the latter half of the eighteenth century, and first Earl of Clonmell. At that time the house was called Neptune, and a good deal of trouble and expense had been taken in laying out the grounds tastefully. During the course of his judicial career the Chief Justice had made an enemy of a man named Magee, who was determined to be revenged. This man secured a neighbouring piece of ground which had been used as a racecourse and organised a monster *fête*, in which the chief event was a pig chase. Immense crowds gathered, and as soon as the pigs were released they invaded the gardens of Neptune, followed by a reckless mob. In a short while the grounds presented a picture of utter destruction and desolation. Now, with another turn of the wheel, the place is once more laid out, this time with the pretty little gardens belonging to the villas and bungalows of Temple Hill.

History Howlers.

The following howlers were recently passed on to me by a schoolmaster friend, who maintained that their pungency was unconscious inspiration:—

"The Carthusians were people who went out into the desert to enjoy each other's want of conversation."

"The men of the Oxford Movement tried to prove that we were all descended from the Early Apostles."

"Palmerston was a real Englishman, but Disraeli and Gladstone were not; for Disraeli was a Jew and Gladstone a High Churchman."

"One of the differences between the Parliament in Elizabeth's reign and the Parliament in Henry VIII.'s reign was that Parliament was always urging Elizabeth to marry—a thing they would never have dreamed of doing to her father!"

Latin "Translated."

A certain logic is displayed in one or two versions of Latin phrases. *Sic transit* is "a rough crossing"; *summa diligentia* is "on top of a diligence." But the gem of the collection is the rendering of *Plato suis libris omnibus doctrinas Socratis expressit* as "Plato's children squeezed the learned Socrates out of the omnibus."

A Strange Flock.

A couple of weeks ago I was out walking in the neighbourhood of the Kingstown Golf Links when I came across a strange sight. At the corner where the road from Mounttown turns into Kill avenue there is a short stretch of wire netting above the low boundary wall of the links. As I came near this corner I saw what I took to be a flock of small birds crowded on the wire. They did not fly away as I approached, and, wondering why, I crossed the road to see what they were doing. To my astonishment I found that my small birds were hundreds of dry beech leaves which evidently had been blown against the wire by one of our February gales and had remained caught in the fine mesh. A week later I passed that way again, but my "flock" had dwindled down to a few dozen. Next time I suppose they will all have taken flight.

A Witty Judge.

His Honour Judge Thompson, Recorder of Belfast, whose suggestion that Smithfield Market should be turned into a central 'bus *dépôt*, has caused some controversy in the North, is known to have a pretty wit. When at the Bar Judge Thompson made a speciality of workmen's compensation cases, and he seems to take a particular interest in applications for arbitration made under the same Act when they come before him as Recorder. I remember in one of these cases the injured workman presented an extensive list of the hospitals at which he had received treatment—the Royal Victoria, the Mater Infirmorum, the Infirmary, and so on. In the course of his judgment His Honour, to the great delight of counsel, remarked: "This poor man seems to have been in every hospital in Belfast except the maternity hospital!"

JUDGE THOMPSON.

Ulster Association Speaker.

The Right Hon. Sir William Joynson-Hicks, who, I learn, is to address the members of the Ulster Association in London on March 15, is one of the leading political figures of the present day.

In business Sir William is a solicitor and principal of a well-known London firm. He is the eldest son of Mr. Henry Hicks, of Plaistow Hall, Kent, and took up his present surname on his marriage to the daughter of the late Mr. R. H. Joynson, of Bowdon.

Sir William has taken part in many political contests. He contested two divisions in Manchester unsuccessfully before being returned as M.P. for North-West Manchester in 1908, and he has since represented Brentford and Twickenham, the latter being his present constituency.

In 1922 he was appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Overseas Trade Department, and became Postmaster-General in 1923, with a seat in the Cabinet. He was later Minister of Health, and since 1924 has filled the important position of Home Secretary.

Sir William is also active in other public spheres of service. He has been Chairman for fifteen years of the Automobile Association, and is Vice-Chairman of the Safety First Council and of the Institute of Transport. He is a prominent temperance worker, and has written books on that subject and on aviation. He is also a prominent figure in Church circles.

Baggot Street.

People living along the No. 10 tram line in Dublin will not be at all sorry when the road-repairing and tram-line moving operations are completed. At present Lower Baggot street is a morass of mud, and in some respects resembles a gipsy encampment, with its huts and tents for the workmen, horses and carts picketed near by, and glowing braziers at which the small boys of the neighbourhood warm their hands. The single line for trams from St. Stephen's Green to Fitzwilliam street has resulted in several altercations between drivers going in opposite directions, who proceed along obstinately until the trams nearly bump into one another, from which position one of them has to beat an ignominious retreat—a position which causes smiles mingled with impatience from the passengers.

Traffic Changes.

In the last few years the observant Dublin citizen will have taken note of several traffic changes. Everyone can see, of course, the great increase in the number of motor cars, causing a problem at times in the once easy-going streets; on the other hand, one type of vehicle seems to be on the wane, and that is the motor cycle, which is now chiefly used by telegraph messengers. The horse is still popular, especially with the laundry companies. When one sees on the streets a very handsome and spirited horse, well turned out, one can be sure it is attached to a laundry van. One animal in particular that wears fawn-coloured harness to match its coat always attracts a lot of attention, and is like a breath of the open spaces in our petrol-haunted streets.

Miss Eva Hamilton.

I was sorry to hear that Miss Eva Hamilton was taken ill before the close of her successful exhibition, recently held at the St. Stephen's Green Gallery. Miss Hamilton is an inveterate worker. If she is not touring with her artist sister in Kerry or the West, or in the South of France, she is busy painting portraits in some old-fashioned home in the heart of the country. Among the best of her portraits is that of Senator Andrew Jameson, painted for the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, and that of her uncle, Sir George Brooke, commissioned for the Kildare Street Club. Born in a quaint old house in Dunboyne, where her brother still lives, Miss Hamilton has a flair for these beautiful interiors of the old Georgian houses. For years she lived in such an old mansion in Dominick street until the neighbourhood was almost entirely a tenement quarter; but she tells me she has great hopes of securing a wonderful old Georgian house shortly near Dublin, and, with her untiring energy, hopes to renovate and decorate it herself.

MISS E. HAMILTON.

A Censorship Suggestion.

Mr. Odell Shepard—who, as his publisher tells us in all too scanty detail, is engaged on a history of Solitude and a study of the legend of the Unicorn—is at present in England as a Fellow of the Guggenheim Foundation. He is a delightful essayist, and his recently published volume, "The Joys of Forgetting," includes a disquisition on library shelving systems, in which, with a delicacy of touch which is sheer joy, he lingers for a moment on the question of censorship (a matter in which Dublin bookworms have at present a lively concern).

Our larger libraries, he suggests, might be arranged climatically to suit the requirements of three classes of readers—"the torrid, the temperate, and the frigid." The books would need to be housed in the highest available buildings (failing sky-scrapers) so that the reader might go up and down in search of shelves corresponding to his exact temperature. Consanguinity, therefore, would be the keynote to the system, "Sappho and Elinor Glyn, for example, being brought close together—possibly on the same shelf." Censorship could be achieved by prohibiting the use of books to any individual outside his or her precise degree of latitude!

One fears, however, that the suggestion is far too human and intriguing ever to find favour in the eye of officialdom.

Modern Foxhunting.

I have often wondered if the large packs of hounds, from 20 to 25 couples, taken into the field at present by the fashionable hunts, give their followers better sport than smaller packs of, say, 10 to 12 couples.

It is quite certain with a large pack a huntsman must have considerable difficulty in keeping his hounds together or in seeing what any particular hound is doing; whereas with a small pack every hound is under the huntsman's eye, and he is able to keep his pack together better.

There is one thing of which I am certain, and that is that the modern foxhound has greatly improved. He seems to me to have more pace, more tongue, and to be a keener and more resolute worker than the hounds I recollect in earlier days. Shoulders and necks have greatly improved and bone is carried down in a way quite unknown to all but the very best packs some years ago.

The most important element in foxhunting, of course, is the supply of foxes. These were never more plentiful, nor is there any reason to think that they are inferior in quality, stoutness or boldness to the foxes of bygone days.

Another thing that greatly assists sport now is that cub-hunting is more thoroughly carried out than it used to be. Hounds are allowed to hunt their cubs for themselves, and mobbing and heading foxes is distinctly less common than it was. In modern cub-hunting hounds are allowed to run much more in the open than used to be the case, and, so far as one can see, no harm has come of it.

The Informer.

A film version of Mr. Liam O'Flaherty's novel, "The Informer," is now being made under the direction of Dr. Arthur Robinson, at the British Hollywood, Estree. Miss Lya de Putti, a famous continental "vamp," is to take the chief female part, but, unfortunately, Mr. Emil Jannings is unable to come over from America to take the principal male part. Miss de Putti has already arrived in England, and is saying nice things in the papers about the country and its people. She was born in Hungary, and her first big picture was "Vaudeville," in which Mr. Jannings also made a big hit. She said she did not like the parts she was cast for in pictures made in the United States, but is pleased with "The Informer."

MISS DE PUTTI.

I hope the screen version of Mr. O'Flaherty's novel will not differ so much from the printed story as the last picture I saw made from an Irish book, Donn Byrne's "Hangman's House." If it had not been for the solemn assurances of the movie people I would not have believed that the film was based on that fine book.

Mr. O'Flaherty has not been seen in Dublin for some months now, but, in spite of the characteristically cynical things he said of us, I do not believe that he has shaken the dust of Ireland off his feet for all time. Since he left Dublin he has been living in the South of France, with occasional visits to London.

An Irish Authoress.

Irishmen and Irishwomen, especially in their adventurous youth, are generally to the fore when trouble is brewing, and they have been well represented in some of the big literary shindies of the last year or two. So it is not surprising to find that Miss Norah C. James, who wrote "The Sleeveless Errand," the novel seized by the London police last week, is Irish too, and a very sturdy and athletic young lady.

Miss James is one of the best known of London's younger artists. Originally a student of sculpture, she entered the Civil Service during the war, and for a period was organiser for one of the service trade unions. Since then she has been secretary to a candidate for Parliament, a journalist, and a motor-driver, and is now employed in a publishing firm.

A London friend of mine who is not sparing of criticism where her fellow-artists are concerned tells me that Miss James is a first-rate draughtswoman, and can hold her own with more experienced illustrators. "The Sleeveless Errand" is her first novel, but she has a second book almost ready for publication.

The Singer in Khaki.

On reading an excerpt from a lecture given by Mr. Alfred Deale recently in regard to broadcasting and singers, I was reminded of the fact that Mr. Deale, a sterling baritone, is the only Feis Ceoil prize-winner who has appeared on a Dublin concert platform in khaki.

Owing to the trouble in 1916, the Feis Ceoil was postponed till June, and the prize-winners concert was held on a sweltering night in the grounds of Marlborough street School, when Mr. Deale, then Cadet Deale, as the Plunkett Greene Cup winner of that year, gave a delightful interpretation of "Summer Time on Bredon."

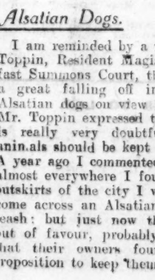
An Irish Judge.

I was extremely sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Frank Fottrell, whom I met little more than a week ago, apparently in the best of health and spirits. He was one of the most popular solicitors in Dublin, whose gift for sportsmanship was as noticeable in his profession as it was on the golf course or the hunting field. By the way, I find that a misprint occurred in the *Irish Times* obituary notice of the late Mr. Fottrell yesterday, when it was mentioned that he was a son-in-law of "the late" Mr. Justice Dodd. The judge, I am happy to say, still is hale and hearty. He is living in retirement in Dublin, where he is visited by hosts of his old friends of the Bench and Bar. He is one of the oldest survivors of the great days of the Irish Bench, and has a fund of reminiscences recalling many of the most interesting events in the history of the last sixty years.

Boyd v. Ervine.

Truly, as you say, writes a correspondent, it will be a case of Greek meeting Greek should St. John Ervine and Ernest Boyd "cross pens" in America. Those who frequented their company while both lived in Dublin will, perhaps, best be able to appreciate the true nature of the combat. And they will expect to see Boyd victorious. St. John Ervine commands a slashing style, is fearless in expressing his opinions, and daring in his speculations; but Boyd is equally fearless and daring, with a subtle irony entirely beyond the range of Ervine. It would be a battle of Greeks, but how very different Greeks! A battle in which Socrates faced Hector!

The dislike of these two men while they lived in Dublin simultaneously was certainly mutual, and obvious to everyone. Boyd very strongly condemned Ervine's *régime* at the Abbey Theatre, holding that Ervine had not the remotest conception of the aims of a National Theatre. He thought also, and said as well as wrote, that Ervine catered too much for an English market in his writings, and for this reason he dubbed Ervine a "circulationist." In Boyd's vocabulary there was no greater term of reproach and contempt than this word "circulationist."



MR. ST. J. ERVINE.

There is one thing, perhaps, that both men have in common—a lively detestation of all things American. Ervine has probably a more tolerant feeling for things American than Boyd, who has changed little since he has resided permanently in the United States. However one might like to read such a contest, it is unlikely to come about while Ervine is in America. Boyd's irony can wait for the most suitable time; if he desires to use it against Ervine he will await an opportunity when it can be used with the deadliest effect. Then it will be like a pleasant Saturday afternoon in Phœnix Park in the summer of 1915!

My Mistake.

I have an interest, described by my acquaintances as a "penchant," in things psychic. When I received a notice of a lecture on "Fairies," to be given on Monday evening, I decided to go; but with my usual efficiency mislaid the notice. I remembered, however, that it was to be given somewhere in Dawson street, and decided the Engineers' Hall was probably the place. I saw a number of cars drawn up there at the appointed hour, and entered the hall to find the audience duly gathering. On looking about me, however, I was surprised to observe no ladies present. I further noticed that all the men possessed very keen and inquiring countenances, looking, in fact, as unpsychic as it is possible to conceive.

Presently I was astonished to see a friend enter—one of those accustomed to scoff at my "penchant" for the supernatural. As his eye fell upon me he looked as amazed as I felt. "Have the fairies put a spell on you?" I inquired affably, hoping to get a bit of my own back. "Fairies?" he echoed. "Are you daft? This is a meeting of the Wireless Society." Crestfallen, I withdrew from the mocking gaze of my engineer friend and eventually found my appropriate *métier* in Dawson Hall!

Alsatian Dogs.

I am reminded by a remark by Mr. H. Toppin, Resident Magistrate, in the Belfast Summons Court, that there has been a great falling off in the number of Alsatian dogs on view in Dublin of late. Mr. Toppin expressed the opinion that it is really very doubtful whether those animals should be kept in the city at all. A year ago I commented on the fact that almost everywhere I found myself on the outskirts of the city I was almost sure to come across an Alsatian straining on the leash; but just now they appear to be out of favour, probably due to the fact that their owners found it a difficult proposition to keep them under control.

QUIDNUNC.

HOW THE EARTH IS MAPPED.

LANDS CHARTERED THAT CANNOT BE TRACED.

GEOGRAPHICAL FICTIONS.

(By ROGER CARNFORTH.)

SMITH, minor, who is weak in geography, will find this article consoling. He may be right, after all, and his master may be wrong; for we have ample evidence that our maps and geography books cannot be trusted. Sir George H. Wilkins, the British explorer who has gone to Deception Island—what an ominous name!—has just added to the growing list of alleged serious blunders. He declares that Graham Land, which figures on Polar maps as part of an Antarctic Continent, is only a small series of small islands separated by channels and a strait.

Sir George also reports discoveries, made in one excursion of over three thousand miles, which will have a great influence in changing our ideas about the geography of this region. One new land, comprising a thousand miles of coast, which he has named Bowman Coast, will have to be added to our maps, as well as many new islands.

ARCTIC ERRORS.

Obviously, all maps of the Arctic and Antarctic must be accepted with reservations. Two expeditions have declared that the Peary Channel, supposed to have been found by Admiral Peary, has no existence. Crocker Island, which has been mapped as a broad expanse of land in Polar Sea, is said to be a myth.

The whereabouts or the existence of Gillis Land, so named after an adventurous Scotsman, Cornelius Gillis, or Giles, has been a two hundred year dispute. It is marked on our charts, but explorers cannot find it. A Russian expedition of thirty years ago claimed to have located it in one place, but a British expedition of only three years ago affirmed that it was seen elsewhere. Last year another party explored the whole region shown on our maps, and came to the conclusion that Gillis Land does not exist.

EGYPT AT FAULT.

Faulty mapping of the mysterious Arctic might be excusable, but it should not be possible to make mistakes about Egypt. Yet, according to eminent authorities, the boy or girl who draws a map of this country from the school atlas is bound to be wrong, though it wins marks for accuracy. Professor Rawlinson, of Oxford, has said that the Egypt of the maps is a "fiction of the geographers, as untrue to fact as the island Atlantis of Greek legend, or the Lyonnesse of mediæval romance, both sunk beneath the ocean to explain their disappearance."

Professor Rawlinson explained that the real Egypt, as it was in ancient times, and is known to the Arabs and its own people to-day, is only a mere fraction of the lands shown on our maps. It is nothing more than the valley and plain watered by the Nile, for nearly seven hundred miles by the river's course from the Mediterranean southwards. This curious blunder in map-making has been further confirmed by the chief surveyor to the Egyptian Government.

AUSTRALIA'S RIVERS.

There should also be no difficulty about the accurate mapping of Australia; yet some truly astonishing errors have found their way into modern school atlases and geography books. Some time ago Mr. Herbert Garrison, the well-known traveller, said that he had found maps of Australia which gave young people totally misleading impressions. He had discovered school geographies in circulation which had the ridiculous statement that there were no rivers of importance in Australia, and that those which were of consequence never reached the sea. Yet there are several rivers about three hundred miles long, and the Murray River, with its tributary, the Darling, is more than three thousand miles long.

Quite a comedy of errors has attended the mapping of Monte Blanc. Some highly reputable atlases have shown it to be in Switzerland. Again, it has been placed in its entirety just above the frontiers of Italy, and has been coloured as being part of that country. As a fact, it is wholly in France, and thus it should be always mapped.

The existence of a wonderful land of more than thirty thousand square miles, still inhabited by great mastodons and rich in vast lakes of oil and precious minerals, has been mapped as lying between the Colville and Porcupine rivers in the Arctic. As yet it has not been found, although prospectors and adventurous pioneers have tried hard to find it and to have first claims on its hidden treasures. Thus, when Smith, minor, draws a faulty map of a land, he does not know that he is transgressing in distinguished company.

WOES OF A MEDIÆVAL SCHOOLMASTER.

LECTURE BY PROFESSOR ALTON.

A lecture on "The Troubles of a Mediæval Schoolmaster" was given by Professor E. H. Alton, T.D., F., T.C.D., at a meeting of the Dublin Literary Society last evening.

The schoolmaster in question, he said, was Eberhard, who, after studying at Paris and Orleans, became rector of a school at Bremen. In a poem which he wrote towards the middle of the 15th century he gives an insight into the conditions of teaching and the hardships of the teacher's life. His poem, which professes primarily to be a treatise on the art of composition, is entitled "Laborintus," which for him meant "The House of Trouble"—such was his name for the school. He had trouble with his manager, who exacted a fee for the licence to teach; he had trouble with rival teachers; he had trouble with parents and boys. Some teachers, he alleges, know little, but succeed in winning popularity by self-advertisement, and sometimes owe their advancement to bribery.

Of classless parents. Some will pay only half fees; others will not pay at all; they allege that their sons have not been taught. There are poor parents who cannot pay—"take the love of Christ as your reward." There are rich parents who think that they can pay you with compliments, without loosing their purse-strings. The best parent, from the schoolmaster's point of view, is the middle-class business man. Eberhard advises that special attention be given to the sons of such.

BAD BOYS.

There is a regular picture gallery of bad boys. There are precociously wicked boys. Their schoolroom is the inn, and their teacher is the tavern-keeper. There is the dunce and the bumptious boy, who gives himself airs on account of his rank, and bullies other boys; there is the incorrigible boy, who is quite unaffected by whippings; there is is the boy who does not know his own mind, and flies from subject to subject. Finally, there is the young Demon, "with the face of an angel, but in his heart is the subtlety of the devil." Boys do not like school. They are tortoises coming to it in the morning; they leap like hares as they dart home at evening. Boys by themselves provide for the schoolmaster more worries than the whole art of arithmetic can count. They like lessons as little as "a cat likes a bath or a dog likes a stick."

PARIS AND ORLEANS.

Eberhard lived at a time when the controversy between the respective merits of the Arts (or Logic) and the Authors (or classical literature, especially poetry) still raged. He himself was faithful to the traditions of Orleans, and was a stout champion of literature. This controversy resembles in some ways the modern difference of opinions respecting the value of science or of classics in our educational programmes. Eberhard gives some information regarding his own student days: "Paris may be a paradise for the rich, but it is a bottomless morass that swallows up the poor student." On the other hand, he found Orleans congenial: it is "the nurse of literature and the peak of Helicon."

The more lucrative professions come under the lash of Eberhard's tongue. He is particularly severe to the lawyers. He had found them greedy. When obliged to resort to law to recover his fees, he had to pay most of what he could recover to these experts.

NEW GRAMAPHONE RECORDS.

MUSIC FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY: SAVOY OPERAS: THE KING'S SPEECH.

In view of St. Patrick's Day, records of an Irish character are prominent in the March lists. The Gramophone Company has prepared a special Irish supplement of "His Master's Voice" records. Margaret Sheridan, the soprano, sings 'The Gartan Mother's Lullaby" and "Down by the Sally Gardens" to the piano accompaniment by Gerald Moore. Charles Massinger renders "Ireland, I love you, Acushla Machree," and Cornelius O'Sullivan gives "The Fair-headed Boy." Colin O'More adds two charming melodies, "The Jug of Punch" and "Foggy Dew," while humourous touches are supplied by the Flanagan Brothers in "The Widow McCarty" and "Reviewing St. Patrick's Day Parade." Sean Nolan, with his violin, contributes a medley of hornpipes, a medley of jigs and a medley of flings, and William J. Mullaly, on the concertina, gives two reels, "Within a Mile of Dublin" and "The Westmeath Hunt Reel." Reels and hornpipes are played by Sean Nolan's Dublin Orchestra, and the Four Provinces' Orchestra gives two Irish dances and a medley introducing "Hillside," "Jackets Green," and "Colleen Dhas." The P. J. McNamara Quartet of instrumentalists conclude the list with a reel medley introducing "Judy's Reel" and a jig medley bringing in "Geese in the Bog."

"YEOMEN OF THE GUARD."

An outstanding achievement of the Gramophone Company is the electrical recording on "His Master's Voice" of the "Yeomen of the Guard." The complete recording of this and other Gilbert and Sullivan operas is exclusive to "His Master's Voice," and is carried out under the personal supervision of Mr. Rupert D'Oyly Carte. The artists have excelled themselves, and the most fastidious Savoyard will be carried away by the realism and vitality of the performance, which is strictly on traditional lines. The soloists include Messrs. Peter Dawson, Leo Sheffield, Derek Oldham, George Baker, Walter Gwynne, and Arthur Hosking, the Misses Winifred Lawson, Nellie Briercliffe, Dorothy Gill, and Elsie Griffin. The orchestral accompaniment is conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent, and there is a full chorus. There are eleven double-sided records; the whole opera can be obtained in an album. Other Gilbert and Sullivan musically complete light operas in stock are "The Mikado," "The Gondoliers," and "Trial by Jury."

The most enjoyable single record for me among "His Master's Voice" issues for February has been that of Lauritz Melchior, the Danish tenor, in two solo passages from Act 3 of "Lohengrin." Melchior has the ideal Lohengrin voice and style, and in these passages he is accompanied by the Berlin State Opera Orchestra. For those who prefer Italian opera there is Apollo Granforte's singing of the favourite "Eri tu" solo from "Un Ballo in Maschera," coupled with "Era la notte" from Verdi's "Otello." The moving finale from "La Forza del Destino," one of the finest trio passages in opera, is recorded with Rosa Ponselle, Martinelli, and Ezio Pinza as the singers, with a first-rate orchestral accompaniment. I should mark this as one of the best operatic ensemble records ever issued, if the tenor had not tried to run away with it. Martinelli's voice is magnificent, but he was rather too anxious to be the hero of this record. Even so, however, it is a very impressive record.

CHOPIN STUDIES.

First among the instrumental soloists represented in the February lists must be placed Backhaus, with his playing of four of the Chopin "Studies," Nos. 1, 2, 11 and 12. His playing, especially of the No. 11, combined with the quality of the recording, make this probably the best pianoforte record yet issued. The new Kreisler record gives the great violinist's performance of two Spanish dance pieces, arranged from the music of De Falla and Albeniz by Kreisler himself.

Spanish themes are present again in one of the orchestral records of the month—the Spanish Rhapsody by Chabrier, played by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. The conductor of the Detroit Orchestra, by the way, is Ossip Gabrilowitsch, known to all gramaphonists already as the pianist in the recent "H.M.V." issue

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LADY HAIG'S VISIT TO LIMERICK.

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Lady Haig, who was accompanied by General Sir W. Hickey, President of the British Legion in the Free State; Lady Greer, representing the Free State Women's Section; Miss Bertie Bruce, Lieut.-Commander O'Connell, Major Tynan, D.S.O., and Mr. M. J. Nolan, visited Limerick yesterday. She drove to the city from Adare Manor, where she is the guest of the Earl and Countess of Dunraven.

At the Legion Club in Lower Hartstonge street Lady Haig received a very cordial greeting from the ex-Service men and a large gathering of representative citizens.

Having inspected the guard of honour drawn up in the centre of the building under Captain W. Lyons, Lady Haig proceeded to the platform. Captain William Maloney, M.C., President of the Limerick City and County Branch of the ex-Service Men's Association, presided, and there were also on the platform Sir William Hickie, Captain D. Tidmarsh and Miss Bruce.

Captain Tidmarsh extended to Lady Haig a sincere and hearty welcome to Limerick. They all remembered that one of the last acts of their gallant Field-Marshal was to raise special funds to help in the relief of distress amongst Irish ex-Service men and their families. They felt that Lady Haig would continue the generous work that her husband had undertaken. The members of the Legion would always retain a warm corner in their hearts for Lady Haig and her family, and now that she had visited Limerick they hoped to have the pleasure of welcoming her again on a future occasion.

LADY HAIG.

Lady Haig, who was received with enthusiastic applause, said that for some years the Limerick Club had been going on from good to better, to best. That was a very fine tribute, and she had learned from Sir William Hickie and military advisers in the area that Limerick was an example to all Legion clubs, not only in Ireland, but throughout the British Legion, in efficiency of management, and notably in the Legion spirit of service, help and comradeship. She had also been told that the Women's Section was as efficient as it could be. It was well organised, and she could see for herself that the club was comfortable and well run, and she congratulated them heartily on that achievement.

She thanked them for what they had done for Poppy Day, and, proceeding, said that they would be pleased to learn that, from the latest returns received Poppy Day for 1928 had exceeded 1927 by £19,000, so that the amount had reached £552,000; but all the money was needed to help the ex-Service men. The subject uppermost in her mind was that of unemployment among ex-Service men, to carry on the work of her husband, who felt that during the later part of his life he had not succeeded in solving the question, because he failed to get the employers to see that aspect of the matter. For that reason she suggested that all branches in Ireland should make a special effort to place their men in suitable employment. Starting a factory could only touch the fringe of the subject of employment, and she appealed to the branches to undertake this part of the work, which she had very much at heart.

Lady Haig was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers by Master John Wynne, whose father was killed in the war.

Major-General Sir William Hickie having spoken on the good position of the Limerick Club, Lady Haig presented to the Chairman her autographed photograph.

Having made an inspection of the club premises, she was entertained to lunch by the committee, and left subsequently, amid cheers, for Adare Manor.

To-day she will visit Tralee.

THE SMITH-O'BRIEN STATUE

TO BE REMOVED FROM O'CONNELL BRIDGE.

The Smith-O'Brien statue at the O'Connell Bridge corner of D'Olier street and Westmoreland street, Dublin, is being removed by the Dublin City Commissioners, because it is a serious obstruction to traffic at this particularly busy point.

An *Irish Times* representative learns, however, that it is to be replaced in Sackville street, to the south of the junction of Abbey street, and facing Sir John Gray's statue.

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YESTERDAY IN DAIL EIREANN.

OPPOSITION SUSPECTS THE SENATE.

FEARS THAT IT MAY PROTECT THE TREATY.

JOINT COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER SENATORS' SALARIES.

An attack was launched by the Opposition against the Constitution (Amendment No. 12) Bill when President Cosgrave moved the second reading. The gist of the Fianna Fail complaint was that the measure extended the powers of the Senate unduly in making a decision as to whether or not a bill was a money bill. The debate was adjourned.

Professor Tierney's amendment that the second reading of the Oireachtas (Payment of Members) (No. 2) Bill should be adjourned pending consideration of the measure by a joint committee of the two Houses, was carried by 64 votes to 52. The bill proposes to reduce the allowances of Senators.

The House agreed to the second reading of the Workmen's Compensation (Increase of Compensation) Bill, 1929.

On the motion for adjournment, Mr. Carney, the Fianna Fail member for Donegal, brightened up the proceedings by introducing "Mr. X" in connection with the letting of two army huts at Buncrana.

INCREASED POWERS FOR SENATE

THE DEFINITION OF A MONEY BILL.

Mr. BLYTHE, Minister for Finance, informed Mr. Fahy (F.F., Galway) that the initial annual cost of increasing to £70 a year the pensions of retired teachers whose pensions are at present below that figure would be slightly over £21,000.

President COSGRAVE moved the second reading of the Constitution (Amendment No. 12) Bill, which proposes to extend from three to seven days the period in which the Senate can appeal against the decision of the Chairman as to whether a bill is a Money Bill or not.

Mr. LEMASS (F.F., Dublin, S.) expressed regret that the President had not given a more elaborate explanation of the purposes of the bill. It was a bill seeking to increase the powers of the Senate in respect of questioning the decision of the Chairman of the Dail as to whether a particular bill was a Money Bill or not.

According to Article 35 of the Constitution two-fifths of the members of the Senate, within three days after a bill had been passed by the Dail, could, in writing to the Chairman of the Dail, have the question whether it was, or was not, a Money Bill referred to a Special Committee on Privileges over which a Judge of the Supreme Court would preside. The present bill was designed to increase the period of appeal to seven days, and, in addition, to give the Senate power by a majority vote of members—not less than thirty being present at any sitting—to have the bill referred to this Special Committee.

The motive behind the bill was to strengthen the power of the Senate in the direction of obstructing the Dail. It was an obstructionist bill, intended to provide against the day when the Senate would be called upon to fulfil the main function for which it was established, namely, to obstruct legislation in the Dail at variance with the wishes of the signatories of the Treaty of 1921.

DANGERS IN A MONEY BILL.

Major BRYAN COOPER (Government, Dublin County) said that Deputy Lemass quite overlooked the fact that it was possible to introduce into a money bill certain other provisions of grave importance which were not properly relevant to such a bill. For instance, he could imagine Deputy Lemass bringing in a bill which provided that from a certain date the allowance paid to Senators should cease. That would be a money bill. But he could imagine another clause in the bill stating that from that date the Senate would be abolished, and as the two were in the same bill, it would be quite possible for the Senate to be abolished without giving Senators a say in the matter. The bill was to provide machinery to remove a crisis, to get away from the violence of party and into a more reasonable atmosphere, presided over by a judge of the High Court.

Mr. FAHY, speaking in Irish, said that the President had stated that the bill was insignificant, but he thought that an explanation was urgently needed, as the Constitution had been changed. Were the bill accepted it would further strengthen the Senate, and give to sixteen Senators the same powers as sixty deputies.

Mr DERRIG (F.F., Carlow-Kilkenny) expressed the opinion that it was a mistake for the President to conclude the debate without giving every member of the House an opportunity of learning as much constitutional law as they could. Were they to take the decision of the Committee as the last word on Constitutional Law? He believed that there was sufficient safeguard for the Senate in the Constitution as it existed, and suggested that the real object of the Government was not to strengthen the Constitution, but to place as many obstacles as they could in the way of future Governments.

WISH FATHER TO THE THOUGHT.

Mr. FLINN (F.F., Cork Boro') agreed that it was inadvisable to be hasty in matters of this kind. The Government Front Bench was rapidly coming to an end, and the spirit in which the Government were closing up their tenancy was the spirit of a man who was going to sell his landlord's furniture before he would be put out. The bill was one of half-a-dozen testimentary benefits made *in articulo mortis*.

Any attempt on the part of the Senate, under the new bill, to hold up a money bill, or to interfere in any way with money matters in this country would produce a clash in which the Senate itself would be removed with a speed which possibly was not desired.

Mr. O'KELLY (F.F., Dublin N.) said that the bill was one that ought to be taken seriously, in view of the important issues which it raised. It was possible that, as a result of the bill, grave differences of opinion might arise between the two Houses as to what was a money bill.

The debate was adjourned at 12 o'clock to allow of private members' business being taken.

"ALLOWANCES," NOT "SALARIES."

THE REMUNERATION OF SENATORS.

Concluding the debate on the second reading of the Oireachtas (Payment of Members) (No. 2) Bill,

Professor THRIFT (Ind., Dublin Univ.) said that he thought the Independents could congratulate themselves that their proposals had led to a very useful discussion. Unfortunately the debate was brought, at a very early stage, to the level of personalities, and he was afraid that if he had replied on an earlier date he would have responded accordingly, particularly as there was a tendency, if personalities were overlooked, to take advantage of the fact. He agreed with the President that indulgence in personalities tended to draw away the discussion from the real merits of the case.

It seemed to him that, on the face of it, there was a case for consideration, as it was very doubtful to them whether at any time the various calls on Senators and Deputies justified the ratio of equality being applied to the question of allowances given. He emphasised the fact that the moneys paid were not salaries, but allowances, and were so intended from the beginning.

The only suggestion put up was that the effect of this proposal would be that the wage-earner would find it impossible to become a candidate for membership of the Senate. It seemed to him that the proposition made by the Independents was very much in favour of the wage-earner as compared with one who was in receipt of a regular salary.

He did not believe that any Deputy was sincere in suggesting that the amendment was moved with a view to shelving the question or confining the discussion to secrecy. It was so obviously nothing of the kind. He proposed to vote for the amendment, but reserved to himself the right of coming to a decision on the main bill when it came back.

On a division, the amendment of Professor Tierney postponing the second reading of the bill until the matter had been considered by a Joint Committee of the two Houses, or for three months, whichever should be the shorter period, was carried by 64 votes to 52.

ACCIDENTS TO WORKMEN.

BILL TO INCREASE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION.

Mr. VINCENT RICE (Govt., Dublin N.) moved the second reading of the Workmen's Compensation (Increase of Compensation) Bill, 1929. He explained that the object of the measure was to increase the amount of compensation in cases of fatal and non-fatal accidents which happened to workmen in the course of their employment. Under the existing law, if a workman was fatally injured his dependants would be entitled to compensation, the minimum being £150 and maximum £300. The bill would increase the minimum sum to £200 and the maximum to £600. Under the head of incapacity, total or partial, two temporary measures had been passed in 1917 and 1919, the effect of which was to increase the amounts by 75 per cent. These Acts were still in force, and the bill sought to stabilise the increases. In the case of total incapacity the maximum at present payable was 23s. a week, and the bill proposed to increase that amount to 35s. a week.

Mr. ANTHONY (Lab., Cork Borough) welcomed the bill. It could only be looked upon as piecemeal legislation, he said, but it was an honest to attempt to deal with one phase of industrial life.

BETTER THAN BRITISH BILL.

Mr. A. J. CASSIDY (Lab., Donegal) said that the proposals in the bill were somewhat better than the British legislation, but at the same time the bill did not go as far as the recommendations made by the Committee. He referred to the question of insurance, and said that the employer in England had to pay higher premiums. He understood that the increased benefits would not mean increased premiums, as the insurance companies had given an assurance to that effect.

Mr. RICE said that he had made no statement of receiving such an assurance. The deputy was probably referring to the statement of an insurance representative on the Committee that the increased benefits would not mean increased premiums.

Mr. J. GOOD (Ind., Dublin County) said that he was disappointed that a matter of this magnitude should be left to be dealt with in a private member's bill. There were recommendations in the Committee's report which, if carried out, would achieve the results desired without imposing an additional burden on industry. Industry, at the moment, was carrying burdens greater than it could bear, and it was not desirable that further burdens should be placed on it. There were, however, considerable changes since the original Workmen's Compensation Act was passed in 1906, and it was advisable to bring it up to date. He urged the Minister to consider whether the proper course should be that this bill should be withdrawn, and that the recommendations of the Commission should be embodied in a new bill.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

Mr. RUTTLEDGE (F.F., Mayo) welcomed the bill, although he thought its provisions might be more widely extended. The matter of conventions with other countries under these Acts was one of great importance, because persons from the Free State who were injured while working in Great Britain, if they returned home, would be refused payment by insurance companies. He had knowledge of cases of extreme hardship where persons were deprived of their just rights. This was a matter which ought to be speedily set right.

Captain REDMOND (National League, Waterford) said that he was glad to hear Deputy Good state that the Act of 1905 ought to be brought up-to-date, but he did not agree that it was not advisable that a bill like this should be introduced by a private member. He thought it was highly commendable that private members should focus attention on the necessity of introducing, on an early date, a more comprehensive bill. As one who was fairly well acquainted with the working of the Workmen's Compensation Act, he thought this bill would meet the immediate needs. No one could say that the proposed change was in any way extravagant, and there was an immediate necessity for something to be done.

Mr. McGILLIGAN, Minister for Industry and Commerce, said that the bill dealt with only one thing—the amount of the awards—and he had no objection to its terms. It followed almost entirely the recommendations of the Workmen's Compensation Commission. Although there was at present legislation being prepared which would deal almost entirely with the Commission's recommendation, he had no objection to the proposals in the bill. He could hold out no hope of legislation to implement the Commission's report being introduced before the autumn. With regard to the point raised by Mr. Ruttledge, he said that they had not found an easy approach to other Governments in respect of reciprocal arrangements.

The second reading was agreed to.

"MR. X" IN DONEGAL.

THE LETTING OF TWO ARMY HUTS.

On the motion for the adjournment,

Mr. CARNEY (F.F., Donegal) raised the question of a letting by the Board of Works of two Army huts to Messrs. Moore and Company at Buncrana. He stated that Messrs. Moore and Co. were shirt manufacturers in Buncrana, that their premises were not suitable, and that they applied to the authorities to lease them a couple of Army huts attached to the naval barracks, in which they proposed to take up not alone the manufacture of shirts and collars, but of pyjamas, boiler shirts and dungarees. After considerable negotiation Messrs. Moore and Co. were granted a lease for five years at an annual rental of £55, provided that statutory sanction could be obtained.

On October 1st, 1928, the Board of Works communicated with Messrs. Moore, and stated that they could have the lease with that proviso, on condition that they put the premises in repair, walled it off from the barracks, and constructed a suitable separate entrance. Messrs. Moore entered into possession, abandoned their old premises, and were employing thirty girls and, in addition, giving an amount of work to be done by the cottagers in their homes.

On Wednesday last they were told that the statutory sanction had not been granted and that they would have to vacate the premises. He suggested that this decision was taken because a mysterious "Mr. X" had whispered to the Minister. "Mr. X" was not mysterious to him (Mr. Carney). He knew that "Mr. X" had boasted in Buncrana a month ago that he would have Mr. Moore put out. If Messrs. Moore were ejected, what was to happen to the thirty girls and the cottagers who were maintaining themselves on the home work?

Mr. CASSIDY (Labour, Donegal) said that he objected to the underhand method adopted. These premises should have been advertised in the principal local paper, but the Minister wishing to satisfy a private grievance, did not give that paper advertisements.

"A SIX COUNTY FIRM."

Mr. JOHN WHITE (Government, Donegal) said that on his own showing Mr. Carney had secured these premises for a Six County firm behind the backs of the Buncrana manufacturers. It was a storm in a tea cup. The premises should have been advertised.

Mr. BLYTHE, Minister for Finance, said that the usual procedure in the leasing of State property was to advertise it. In certain cases where premises had been vacant for a long time and a genuine offer was made for them, it was assumed that no one else wanted them, and they were let without advertising them. In this case it was different. The premises had not been vacant, and when the matter came before him personally recently he was satisfied that the letting should not have been made without advertising, especially as he understood that local manufacturers might desire to bid for the place.

Mr. CARNEY—That is Senator McLoughlin.

Mr. BLYTHE said that Messrs. Moore had been twice warned of the conditions of the letting, in December and in January, and the Board of Works had pointed out to them that it would be very imprudent for them to incur any expense until the statutory sanction had been obtained as, if not obtained, they would have to vacate the premises.

Answering Deputy Cassidy,

Mr. BLYTHE said that the Board of Works stated that they made no promise. He was disposed to believe that some sort of promise had been made by a local officer of the Board.

The House adjourned until 3 p.m. on Wednesday next, 6th March.

ARMS FOUND IN A CHURCH.

DISCOVERY IN COUNTY CORK.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MACROOM, Friday.

A report has been received from the Civic Guard station here relative to the discovery beneath the floor of the Protestant Church at Kilmurry of a large dump, consisting of six Lee-Enfield rifles, one automatic colt revolver, loaded; 317 rounds of revolver ammunition, 1,200 yards of fuse, one battery for exploding mines, a quantity of explosives, and some military equipment.

Sergeants Reynolds and Kenny, and Detectives Fergus and Burke made the discovery and seized the articles.

FREE STATE ARMY OFFICERS.

MORE RESIGNATIONS: MAJOR LEAVES RESERVE.

The *Dublin Gazette* announces that the following officers of the Free State Army have resigned their commissions, and have been transferred to the Reserve of Officers, as from to-day, March 2nd:—

Commandant (Acting Major) Patrick King and Commandant (Acting Major) Patrick Woods.

Commandants — Patrick Casey, Edward Cronin, Francis Davis, Thomas Mason, and Michael Stephenson.

Captains—James Brennan, Michael John Hoey, James McKeon, Patrick Murray, Patrick Ryan, and Timothy Sadlier.

Lieutenants — Alphonsus Crowe, Michael Joseph Cummine, Joseph Galvin, Patrick Joseph Hessian, James Kelly, Charles Lynch, Daniel Nolan, Owen O'Donnell, Patrick Joseph Reynolds, John Sherlock, and Richard Walters.

Second Lieutenant (Acting Lieutenant) Michael Patrick Buckley and Second Lieutenant (Acting Lieutenant) Patrick Fitzpatrick.

Second Lieutenants—Michael Browne, Henry Flaherty, Michael Kelleher, Michael Joseph Kelly, and Hugh McAtamney.

Major Roger McCorley, having tendered in writing his resignation of his commission as an Officer in the Reserve of Officers, the Executive Council have accepted the resignation, and have withdrawn his commission accordingly, with effect as from the 2nd March.

Commandant Thomas Wren and Captain Garrett Brenan have resigned from the Defence Forces as from the same date.

CIVIC SALARIES IN BELFAST.

At the monthly meeting of the Belfast City Council yesterday, the Lord Mayor (Sir William Coates, Bart.) drew attention to the fact that in the minutes of several of the committees there were representations with regard to increases of salaries and wages, etc.

In respect of some committees nothing had been done; while in the case of others the consideration of the matter had been postponed.

He, therefore, took the liberty of suggesting that the mover of each committee's minutes should propose the omission of reference to salaries and wages, and that there should be a special meeting of the Council at an early date to consider the entire matter.

The Council unanimously agreed to the Lord Mayor's suggestion.

Lady Haig photographed with members of the Ennis Branch of the British Legion, who won the Free State Area Efficiency Shield. Included with Lady Haig are General Sir W. Hickie, Major J. J. Tynan, Captain Nolan, Lord and Lady Inchiquin, Major Studdart, Mr. W. D. N. Buckeridge, Lieutenant-Commander D. B. O'Connell, Lieutenant-Commander Paymaster W H. Ranalow, Captain R. G. Tottenham, Captain T. H. Brady-Brown, Messrs. P. Blake, T. McNamara, J. Reynolds, and Mrs. A. G. Stewart, Mrs. Fogarty, Mrs. F. Vere O'Brien and Mrs. O'Doherty.

IRISH FRESH MEAT COMPANY.

LOSS OF OVER £24,000 SINCE INCEPTION.

RECEIVER AT GENERAL MEETING.

At the adjourned first ordinary general meeting of the Irish Fresh Meat Co., Ltd., in Drogheda yesterday, it was revealed that the company's net loss during the period from its formation on the 8th June, 1927, to 31st December, 1928, was £24,653 3s. 2d.

This loss was attributed in the annual report to—

(1) The general weakness of the fresh meat trade in England, and the fact that best cattle in Ireland were not fetching their meat price in London.

(2) Insufficiency of working capital, and the consequent necessary restriction by the company to a small weekly kill which was insufficient to carry the weekly factory expenses.

The motion to adopt the report and statement of accounts was lost on a show of hands by seven votes to four, but on a poll of aggregate shares it was carried by 2,126 to 1,470. It was stated that the company probably would go into voluntary liquidation. A Receiver was present at yesterday's meeting at the request of the directors.

SHAREHOLDERS' QUESTIONS.

DEMAND FOR COMPLETE INVESTIGATION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DROGHEDA, Friday.

The meeting was held at St. Mary's Mills, Drogheda, Major T. G. Collins-Gerrard, chairman, presiding, and the other directors present were:—Senator Counihan and Mr. D. A. Irvine (Secretary). Mr. Vincent Crowley, the Receiver, was present at the request of the directors. The shareholders present included Mrs. Lentaigne, Messrs. M. Dowd, Thomas Reid, M. B. Allen, J. A. Oliver, Gibney, Murtagh and Moore.

On the representations of some of the shareholders the Press was admitted.

In addition to the facts quoted above, the report stated:—"The company was incorporated on 8th June, 1927, and received the certificate entitling it to commence business on 9th July, 1927. Trading was commenced in November, 1927, and continued until March, 1928, when, owing to the scarcity of suitable live stock, the factory was temporarily closed down. Operations were recommenced in September, 1928, but since the close of the financial period under review trading was again suspended owing to the unfavourable market conditions prevailing.

"The present position and future policy of the company are matters which are now receiving the careful consideration of the directors.

"During the period to date three of the original directors, Sir Joseph Nunan, Mr. J. A. Hirst, and Mr. W. F. Bonser retired from the board."

"THROWING AWAY MONEY."

Mrs. Lentaigne asked if the shareholders had been informed at the first meeting of the company that the company was undercapitalised.

The Chairman—I do not know if they were. I do not know if it would have been any good telling them; we would not have got in any more money.

Mr. Irvine said that they were not so informed because, according to the information the directors then possessed, it was considered that they had sufficient capital for carrying on, but they found when they commenced trading that this was not so.

Mr. Gibney (another shareholder)—Still they continued throwing away the shareholders' money. That was a very funny policy.

Mr. Irvine pointed out that last year, at the end of March, the directors found that they could not get the cattle they required, and so had to close down from the 1st April to the 1st September. That was a thing that was never contemplated when the company was started. The closing down was a big loss to the company. The overhead expenses went on the whole time, and that depleted the capital to a considerable extent. Since the re-opening there had been a succession of strokes of bad luck. They met with bad weather week after week in the London market, and that was really what brought about the trouble.

Mr. Gibney—Might I ask what proportion of the salaries and expenses went on during the time the factory was closed down?

Mr. Irvine replied that the wages which continued to be paid were those of two night and day watchmen, a carpenter, an engineer, and some of the key men, with whom they did not wish to part. Their insurance, rent, rates, taxes and debenture interest, etc., had also to be met during that time.

They estimated that there had been an expenditure of from £6,000 to £7,000 during that period.

Answering further questions, the Chairman said that they could not get cattle to sell at a profit in London last year, and the same thing happened again this winter. Directly after Christmas they were buying cattle at eightpence a lb., and in London they did not realise more than ninepence.

A Shareholder—Do you not think it very foolish when you found you were up against those losses that you did not cut it out right away? When we started in 1927 we had a very big number of cattle which, in my estimation, if the proper use was made of them should have shown a very big profit.

The Chairman—I think the shareholders are aware that the management at that time was anything but satisfactory.

Mr. Gibney—Seeing that your buyer could not get the cattle in the condition that he wanted them in, would it not have been possible to have devised some means of the company finishing the cattle themselves? It would have been better than to have waited until all the money was gone.

Another Shareholder—The strange thing about it is that when cattle owners came and gave their names the buyer did not go out to see the stock. The whole thing seemed to be rotten.

"SHOULD HAVE MADE A FORTUNE."

Mr. Oliver (the company's buyer) said that he could only cover a certain amount of ground each day. He had put in more hours for it than he would like to put in for any other concern. The place should have made a fortune.

Mr. Gibney—It should not have lost £24,000.

The Chairman then pointed out that the motion before the meeting was the adoption of the report and statement of accounts.

Mr. Gibney—I am going to suggest that an independent committee of shareholders be appointed to investigate the whole thing.

Mr. Irvine—A Receiver has been appointed, and this company as such has now no power, as the Receiver has possession of all the assets.

Mr. Gibney said that this question was a matter of national importance. It would make people chary of investing money in any other Irish concern—in Drogheda, anyway. This factory would seem to have been erected for the purpose of providing fine salaries for a few people, without any regard for the interests of the shareholders.

Mr. Irvine—The company has now no other option, in view of the appointment of a Receiver, but to go into voluntary liquidation, and it is proposed to call an extraordinary meeting to do so.

Mr. Gibney objected to the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, which he said he would not be a party to adopting at any price. They had lost their money, and there did not seem to be any chance of getting it back. He did not believe in the three-card trick policy, but he believed in fighting for it. As the matter concerned not only Drogheda, but the community at large, he did not think the Government would take any action to hold up the accounts. His point was that this balance sheet should not be passed until an independent committee of the shareholders had investigated the whole proceedings to see how the money had actually gone.

Mr. Vincent Crowley (the Receiver) pointed out that his appointment did not abolish the directorate, but that it naturally paralysed the power of the company, as he had possession of the assets.

DIRECTORS LOSE MOST.

Senator Counihan pointed out that the directors and their friends had subscribed four-fifths of the capital which had been lost, and had given their time and gone to considerable trouble and expense, without getting anything in return in the nature of fees or rewards. The shareholders should remember that. They had done their best to get the company going and to put it on a profitable basis. They failed to do so through causes which they were not going into now. He still believed that it was an economic proposition.

Mr. Irvine pointed out that if the meeting adopted the report, the board could then call an extraordinary meeting to consider the appointment of a liquidator, and the liquidator and any committee which he might appoint could investigate the accounts.

The Receiver said that it would have to be borne in mind that the company had now no funds, and that the cost of such investigation could not be borne by the company.

Mr. Irvine said that the company might ultimately have funds if the Receiver could realise sufficient, but the debenture-holders would have to get £70,000 before the company could get a penny.

The Chairman then put the motion for the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, which on a show of hands was lost by 7 votes to 4.

On a poll of aggregate shares demanded by Senator Connihan, the motion was carried by 2,126 to 1,470.

Mr. William Power, the Government representative, was re-elected a director; and Messrs. Stokes Bros. and Pim re-elected auditors.

Mr. Irvine then pointed out that the whole position would be reviewed by the directors, who would not at present make any further statement, but an extraordinary general meeting might be summoned in the near future. The probability was that the company would go into voluntary liquidation, but that would be decided later.

THE SERGEANT'S LOUD "GOOD-NIGHT."

STARTLED MAN'S DROPPED BOTTLE.

At Monaghan District Court, Owen Murray, Dundran, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour for having had poteen in his possession. A police sergeant stated that on Christmas night last, attired in civilian clothes, he was on revenue duty. Entering the farmhouse of Charles McKenna at Derryvoy, Carrickroe, he went suddenly round the jamb-wall and said "Good night." Owen Murray looked at him; then put his hand in his hip pocket, pulled out a bottle, and smashed it on the floor near the hearth. On the table was a bottle containing a small quantity, which the sergeant said was poteen.

For the defence it was stated that the spirit in the bottle was gin, and Owen Murray said that the bottle that he dropped on the hearth when the Guard came in, as he was "leaning over, fairly drunk," was a bottle of whiskey he had bought in Aughnacloy.

Charges against Mr. and Mrs. McKenna, the occupiers of the house, were dismissed.

Robert Merry, Curluddy, Mooncoin (55), a fisherman, was found hanging from a rafter in his house on Thursday. Merry lived alone.

THE UNITY OF NORTH AND SOUTH.

CHARGE AGAINST A LONGFORD MAN.

At the Longford District Court, yesterday, Thomas McNeill was sent for trial by District Justice Kenny, on charges of obtaining money by false pretences.

It was alleged that he had obtained small sums of money in 1926 as subscriptions towards a publication which he was about to bring out under the title of "Unity." The book, a witness stated, purported to be a means of uniting Northern and Southern Ireland, but he had never seen a copy of it.

The defence was a denial of false pretence, and the defendant stated that he had been working for four years on the publication, but the absence of capital prevented him from having the work published.

Mr. Farrell, solicitor, appeared for the accused, and Mr. Delaney, State Solicitor, prosecuted.

GALWAY TRANSATLANTIC SCHEME.

COLONEL FITZMAURICE LEAVING FOR AMERICA.

Colonel Fitzmaurice, the Irish airman, will leave for America on March 23rd, in connection with the scheme for a trans-Atlantic port at Forbough, Galway. A committee under the Galway Chamber of Commerce has been formed for some time past to support Colonel Fitzmaurice to secure the interest and backing of leading American and Canadian financial houses for the promotion of the Halifax-Forbough route.

An American company has prepared a film showing the routes and distances in connection with the scheme.

THE PRINTING OF VOTERS' LISTS.

By 13 votes to 7 the Wexford County Council adopted a motion recommending that the voters' lists, which cost £1,600 per annum, be printed only every two years.

OPERA SINGER'S NAME.

FORGERY CHARGE AT LONGFORD.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONGFORD, Friday.

Richard Cummings, who was stated to have been at one time a member of the Bower-Westwood Opera Company, and now employed in Sligo, appeared in Longford, before District Justice Kenny, on a charge of forgery, by putting the name, Eric James, to a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Literary Club, Dungarvan, Waterford, with a view of obtaining money by fraudulent means.

Mr. Edward Phelan, President of the Literary Club, and the Secretary gave evidence of having received a letter purporting to be signed by Eric James, a well-known member of an operatic company. The letter ran:—"Dear Old Chap,—I am sending out an S.O.S. to you, and also my friends in Dungarvan. Things have turned out bad for me. I have left the Bower-Westwood Opera Company and launched out on my own, with disastrous results, and am stranded here (Longford). To add to my other misfortunes, I have fractured my ankle, and am laid up. It's an urgent S.O.S. I send out, and if you get up a benefit concert you would be doing me a great favour. I cannot hold out many days.—Eric James."

Mr. Phelan said that he was aware that Mr. James was then in London, and he passed the letter on to a friend of his, who sent it to Mr. James.

Mr. Eric James said that the letter came as a great shock to him, and he sent it by registered letter to the Civic Guards at Longford. He had been Cummings at a smoking concert given in Dungarvan in honour of the members of the Bower-Westwood Company. He said that the people of Dungarvan were very fond of good opera, and were very nice to his company.

Captain Quirke, handwriting expert, gave evidence; and Miss Monahan, post office official, Longford, deposed to the accused calling at the post office for a letter addressed to Eric James, which he did not get.

Cummings was sent for trial, and was allowed bail.

Dr. P. Hennessey has been appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Cashel Urban District, pending the decision of the Local Appointments Commission.

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THE HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES (IRELAND) ACTS, 1890 TO 1921.
DE BHRI, do réir Alt 12 den Acht um Rialtas Aitiuil (Forálacha Sealadacha), 1923, gur dhin an tAire Rialtais Aitiúla agus Sláinte Puibli, le hOrdú fé n-a Sheala Oifige dar dáta an 20adh lá de Bhealtaine, 1924, Comhairle Chontae-Bhuirg Bhaile Atha Cliath do scur, agus maoin, comhachta agus dualgaisi go léir na Comhairle sin d'aistriú chuig na daoine atá ainmnithe san Ordú san agus dá ngairmtear Coimisinéiri Chontae-Bhuirg Bhaile Atha Cliath (dá ngairmtear "na Coimisinéiri" anso ina dhiaidh seo), sé sin, na daoine a cheap sé leis an Ordú san uaidh chun dualgaisi na Comhairle sin do chó-líona;
AGUS DE BHRI gur dhin Coimisinéiri Chontae-Bhuirg Bhaile Atha Cliath Athchuinghe do-thíolacas don Aire Rialtais Aitiúla agus Sláinte Puibli ag iarraidh Orduithe Sealadacha air fé ana hachtanna so;
AGUS DE BHRI go bhfuiltear tar éis na fógrain chearta d'fhoillsiú, fógrai éo sheirbheáil agus pleananna do léiteáil is feidir a scrúdú do puibli;
AGUS DE BHRI gur iarr na Coimisinéiri cead ar an Aire Rialtais Aitiúla agus Sláinte Puibli chun iasachtai d'fháil maidir leis na hOrduithe sin;
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Le hOrdú ón Aire,
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An Roinn Rialtais Aitiúla agus Sláinte Puibli, Baile Atha Cliath. Data: 28adh Feabhra, 1929.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH (IRELAND) ACTS, 1878 TO 1919,
And
THE HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES (IRELAND) ACTS, 1890 TO 1921.
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AND WHEREAS the proper advertisements have been published, notices served and plans deposited for public inspection;
AND WHEREAS the said Commissioners have applied to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health for sanction to Loans in connection therewith;
NOW, THEREFORE the Minister for Local Government and Public Health hereby gives Notice:
1. That the purport of the proposed Orders is:—
(a) To confirm an Improvement Scheme made by the Commissioners under Part 1 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, in respect of an unhealthy area at Mary's lane, Dublin, which area was more fully described in the said advertisements;
(b) to empower the Commissioners to put in force the powers of the Lands Clauses Acts with respect to the purchase and taking, otherwise than by agreement, of certain lands at East Hanover street, Dublin, the denominations and quantities of which were stated in the said advertisements, for the purpose of erecting working class lodging houses under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts.
2. That he has instructed his Inspector, Denis J. Hickie, Esq., M.Inst.C.E.I., to make a Local Inquiry into the said Petitions, and as to the propriety of assenting to the prayers thereof, and also to hold a Local Inquiry in the matter of the application for sanction to Loans of £43,002 and £105,250 respectively, in connection therewith, and to report to him thereon; and that the said Denis J. Hickie will sit at the City Hall, Dublin, on Tuesday, the 12th March, 1929, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., to make inquiry accordingly.
3. That all persons interested will be permitted to attend and make objections to the proposed Provisional Orders, and all ratepayers in the said County Borough may attend at the Inquiry and make objection to the said Loans being sanctioned, or any such objections may be forwarded to the Inspector at the Offices of the Housing Department, Department of Local Government and Public Health, Custom House, Dublin, to be received there on or before Monday, the 11th March, 1929.
By Order of the Minister,
E. P. MacCARRON, Rúnaidhe.
Department of Local Government and Public Health, Dublin. Dated this 28th February, 1929.
21/A.2040. W.H.Co.

FOR OTHER GOVERNMENT NOTICES SEE PAGE 3.

CHURCH NOTICES.

MAGDALEN CHURCH.
11.30—"THE LIFE OF MARY SLESSER," Rev. R. Bird, D.S.O. 7—CHRISTIAN REUNION (5). The Edinburgh Conference, Rev. J. F. Moncrieff Cox.

BAPTIST CHAPEL,
HARCOURT STREET.
TO-MORROW'S SERVICES.
11.30 a.m.—Rev. S. GAMMAN (Regions Beyond Missionary Society).
7 o'c. p.m.—Pastor LOUIS E. DEENS.
Evening Subject:
"THE UNPARDONABLE SIN."

METROPOLITAN HALL
(CITY OF DUBLIN Y.M.C.A.)
8.30 p.m. SINGING FROM 8.15 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. D. C. HAMILTON (S.A.G.M.).
6 p.m.—YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.
Special Address by
Mrs. D. C. HAMILTON (S.A.G.M.).
TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), 7.30 o'clock,
"THE RALLY."
Special Address by Mr. D. C. Hamilton.
All Young People Welcome.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.
A LECTURE, entitled
"THE POET AND HIS PUBLIC,"
Will be delivered by
PROFESSOR DIBELIUS,
Professor of English, University of Berlin,
ON TUESDAY NEXT, 6th, at 4.30 p.m.,
IN THE PHYSICS LECTURE THEATRE.
The chair will be taken by the President, University College, Dublin. Cards of Admission on application to the President.
K.A.A.

PEMBROKE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL, CO. DUBLIN.
ANNUAL REVISION OF RATEABLE VALUATIONS.
Notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Valuation has, on this date, transmitted to me lists of the several tenements and hereditaments in this Urban District with their respective valuations, and has shown in these lists the revisions of the valuations which have been made by him during the past year.
That the said lists will remain open for inspection at my office, and extracts therefrom may be taken between the hours of ten o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., for twenty-one days from the date hereof.
That any person aggrieved in respect of such revision may within twenty-eight days from the date hereof, by post or otherwise, deliver to me a notice in writing duly signed by him, the said person aggrieved, or by his known agent, setting forth the grounds of such grievance.
JOSHUA C. MANLY, Clerk to the Council.
Town Hall, Ballsbridge, Co. Dublin,
Dated 1st March, 1929.

URBAN DISTRICT OF RATHMINES AND RATHGAR.
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2. That the said lists will remain open for inspection at my office, and extracts therefrom may be taken between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays, when the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 o'clock p.m. will obtain, for twenty-one days from the date hereof.
3. That any person aggrieved in respect of such revision may within twenty-eight days from the date hereof, by post or otherwise, deliver to me a notice in writing duly signed by him, the said person aggrieved, or by his known agent, setting forth the grounds of such grievance.
Dated this 1st day of March, 1929.
JAMES J. TRISTON, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Dun Laoghaire.
TAKE NOTICE THAT I,
MARTIN DURKIN, 14 CHARLEVILLE MALL, am applying for Bookmaker's Certificate of Personal Fitness.

The Irish Times.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1929.

IRELAND

Lady Haig, in the course of her tour of the South of Ireland, visited the ex-Service men's club in Limerick and addressed the members.—(Page 5.)

Dail Eireann yesterday debated the bill which proposes to increase the Senate's powers in the matter of money bills. The bill proposing to reduce the allowances of Senators was referred to a joint committee of both Houses. The Workmen's Compensation (Increase of Compensation) Bill passed through the second stage.—(Pages 7 and 5.)

At the first ordinary general meeting of Irish Fresh Meat, Limited, in Drogheda yesterday, a receiver was present. The loss since the inception of the company last year was £24,653 3s. 2d.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN

It was officially stated at Craigweil House, Bognor, last night, that the King had passed a good day.—(Page 7.)

The Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill was read a second time in the House of Commons yesterday.—(Page 8.)

Flying Officer P. N. Sealy Allin was killed as the result of a mid-air collision between two machines at Kenley Aerodrome yesterday.—(Page 7.)

The House of Commons yesterday agreed to a supplementary estimate of £280,000 for the payment of compensation grants to Irish loyalists to the end of the current year.—(Page 7.)

FINANCIAL

London Stock Markets were quiet. Some Industrials were active, but Tobaccos were weak on taxation rumours. Oils were strong.—(Page 12.)

The Treasury bill rate was higher at 5½ per cent., as compared with 5 3-16 per cent. last week. Conditions in Lombard street were very easy, and overnight loans were offered at 4½ down to 3½ per cent. Bill rates were steady.—(Page 12.)

Dublin was dull and irregular, but price changes were small.—(Page 12.)

Irish Morals.

Has not the time come for a frank discussion of Irish morals? Certainly the subject is in all thoughtful minds; for the newspapers will not suffer them to evade it. Throughout the centuries Ireland has enjoyed a high reputation for the cardinal virtues of social life. She was famous for her men's chivalry and for her women's modesty. To-day every honest Irishman must admit that this reputation is in danger. There is irony in the fact that at this very time, when the Free State Government has declared war on English newspapers, the Irish newspapers are forced, almost daily, to touch matters which are both wicked and disgusting. We have published during recent weeks reports of trials, and statements by judges and magistrates, which suggest that in many parts of the twenty-six counties, especially in the South and West, the standards of sexual morality are lamentably low. The abominable crime of rape figures often in the police reports. Infanticide is common—one judge has described it as "a national industry"—and the reports of cases in which unmarried mothers have been brought to trial for this crime indicate a general looseness of manners, a contempt of moral decencies, that are a wholly new feature of Irish life. Public opinion and the fear of consequences, which formerly were powerful checks upon private conduct, have ceased, or are ceasing, to be effective. Dublin's crime and vice are associated by many reformers with the wretched housing conditions of the slums; but it appears that an even more formidable laxity of morals prevails now in rural districts where that excuse is not valid. There the growing immorality—if we may judge from the reports of criminal trials—is not the outcome of revolt against discomfort and hardship in the home. It springs from a sheer defiance of all the conventions, from a complete lack of principle, from the deliberate intention to have "a good time" at any cost.

What are the causes of this moral decay? No doubt, it derives in part from the shock which the Great War gave to moral values throughout the world, and, in still larger part, from the civic troubles during which morality, public and private, was at a discount. Some allowance must be made for the children of those dreadful days when violence and plunder were advocated as patriotic duties, and the very insecurity of human life bred an utter recklessness of human conduct. To such causes, perhaps, we may trace the downfall of parental responsibility and the disregard of religious teaching that are producing the present harvest of sexual looseness and crime. Whatever the causes may be, nobody will call us alarmists or pessimists when we say that the matter has gained the proportions of a national problem, that concerns all who value their country's name and welfare. It is a sad misfortune that the public mind has been put upon a false track by the Free State Government's absurd Censorship Bill. The decay is home-grown, and to try to treat it with this bill is to try to cure a cancer with a mustard plaster. Some useful things the Government could do, and ought to do without further delay. The number of illegitimate births would be reduced, and the crime of infanticide would be abated, if every father of an illegitimate child were made responsible for its support. If the *Oireachtas* were so minded, it could pass the legislation for this purpose within a week. The clergy, the judges and the police are in agreement concerning the baneful effects of drink and low dance-halls upon rural morals. Further restrictions on the sale of drink, a remorseless war on the poteen industry, the strict supervision of dance-halls, and the banning (by law, if need be) of all-night dances would abolish many inducements to sexual vice. Such measures would be helpful, but the real remedy must be sought in the home and in the school. Parents must recapture their old sense of responsibility, and children must be taught to acknowledge their parents' control. The teacher must co-operate; for the chances are that, if discipline and good manners are not learned at school, they will not be learned at all. Our first need is full recognition of the fact that to-day the nation's proudest and most precious heritage is slipping from its grasp.

The Liberal Programme.

Yesterday Mr. Lloyd George addressed four hundred Liberal candidates for the forthcoming general election. The way of Liberalism has been very hard since the Great War. After the Armistice Mr. Lloyd George seemed to have the world at his feet. His magnificent work during the later years of the conflict had raised him to a pinnacle of fame which even Gladstone never reached. His name was a household word throughout the civilised world, and, if he had chosen then to go to the country as a Liberal, it is probable that he would have been returned to power with an overwhelming majority. The "Khaki" election sent back the Coalition with a huge majority; but already the germs of dissolution were at work, and when Mr. Lloyd George concluded the Irish settlement in 1921 his doom was sealed. At the famous Carlton Club meeting the Conservatives, led by Mr. Baldwin, broke away completely from the Coalition, and at the next election a divided Liberal Party obtained only a handful of seats. Since that time the rapid rise of Labour as a political party in England has overshadowed Liberalism. At the last election Mr. Lloyd George went back to Westminster with less than forty followers. His astonishing folly during the general strike of 1926 turned even his best friends against him; and now, with another election only a few months away, he is making desperate efforts to recover the ground that has been lost. He knows very well that the Liberals have no hope of an independent majority; but it seems that he is calculating on a stalemate as between Conservatives and Socialists which will give him and his followers the balance of power in the House of Commons.

His speech yesterday was disappointing, although some of his jibes at the Conservative Government were effective. It was when he came to unfold his programme that he revealed the essential barrenness of the land. Naturally, Mr. Lloyd George concentrated most of his attention on the problem of unemployment. His remedy for the workless is delightfully simple. He merely asks the electorate to give the Liberals a majority at the general election, in which event unemployment in England will be reduced to normal proportions within twelve months. Furthermore, the economic miracle will be peiformed without the cost of a penny to the nation. Mr. Lloyd George, unfortunately, refrains from details of this great plan. The transport system will be overhauled. It seems that new roads will be built and all sorts of other improvements will be made. The Liberal leader, however, refuses to waste his time in the discussion of such minor matters as ways and means; and people are sick and tired of politicians' promises. The English voter has not yet forgotten the "homes for heroes" of the 1918 election, and, if Mr. Lloyd George has nothing better to offer hungry men and women than a vague assurance that "everything will be right on the night," his four or five hundred candidates will have little hope of success next June. The Conservative Government, especially in matters of foreign policy, has made serious mistakes. On balance, however, Mr. Baldwin's Administration is likely to command far more confidence than a Government led by either Mr. Ramsay Macdonald or Mr. Lloyd George. The latter was an excellent war Premier, but his work for England has been done.

The Growth of London.

How far will the growth of modern cities continue? Will almost everybody live in cities at some time in the future, or shall we see a "back to the land" movement among urban dwellers? Papers which were read at the Auctioneers' and Estate Agents' Institute in London, on Thursday night, do not suggest that the limits of expansion have been reached, at least in one great city. The growth of London is a modern phenomenon. Other cities have increased more rapidly in size, in wealth and in population, but London is unique in its combination of commercial supremacy with ancient dignity. One of the papers made reference to the increase in the annual value of property. Even if allowance is made for the depreciated value of money, the increment in value is astonishing. When Regent street was laid out a century ago many of the shop plots were leased at ground rents of £10 *per annum*. The ground rents which have been obtained recently were as much as £3 10s. *per annum* for every superficial foot, "showing a capital value as great as if the site were covered with a layer of golden coin." London, in common with many other cities, was confronted during and since the war by a serious housing shortage. This problem is a comparatively recent one. In 1908, at a meeting of the Surveyors' Institution, it was stated that at that time there were 50,000 empty houses within the limits of the County of London—a number which must be doubled to include the enormous area occupied by the ring of outer suburbs. Twenty years ago house agents' boards were as plentiful as chimney-pots. Nowadays not only is every house occupied, but many of them afford accommodation for two or three tenants. Builders are casting covetous eyes on the public squares and gardens that are to be found throughout the city in abundance. Happily, there is little fear that the world's greatest city will be spoiled for Londoners and for visitors, even to satisfy the needs of the "house-hunter."

Army Rations.

The Great War was different from any of the other wars of history. Armies were larger; science aided strategy; the air, for the first time, was a theatre of action. In one respect, however, it conformed to tradition: campaigns were lost or won in the department of the quarter-master-general. The *dictum* of a great master of the art of war, that an army marches on its stomach, still remained true, even in trench warfare. Major-General Sir Wilfred Beveridge, late Director of Hygiene at the War Office, has made some interesting remarks to the Royal Sanitary Institute on the subject of "Army rations." One of his opinions at least would have been applauded heartily by a continent in arms: "It is necessary to legislate for the man with the best appetite in order to make the most efficient soldier." He pointed out that trained soldiers of the Regular Armies were fed more easily than the new Armies who came straight from home. A civilian may learn the accomplishments of a fairly expert fighting man in a few months, but his digestion still craves for the customary diet, and, internally, he remains a civilian. Perhaps, for greater military efficiency, soldiers on the reserve should continue to be supplied with army rations. Many war-time songs alluded in a vein of cheerful cynicism to "plum and apple jam" and other delicacies. According to Sir Wilfred Beveridge, jam is a valuable item in the active service diet, since it contains 50 *per cent.* of sugar. It is probable that soldiers in the British Army during the Great War fared better than soldiers generally have fared in the past. Napoleon's armies usually had to be content with a slender diet. All things considered, few soldiers would disagree with Sir Wilfrid Beveridge's opinion that, "there is nothing better than bread, butter and cheese, with a glass of beer to wash it down."

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales received Prince Henry of the Netherlands at York House yesterday. Prince Henry desires his visit to London to be entirely unofficial, as was his presence last night at the dinner party at the Dutch Legation. His Highness paid another visit to the Dutch Exhibition at Burlington House, and will leave London to-day to rejoin Queen Wilhelmina at The Hague.

The Prince of Wales has given permission that the new club in the Docklands Settlement shall be named after him, and it will be known as "The Prince's Club." It will be opened next Monday by Mr. Kielberg, by whom it has been built and equipped. A new boxing hall, which will be opened at the headquarters of the Settlement, will be named after the Duke of York.

Princess Mary has promised to attend the Gala Ice Carnival next Thursday at the London Ice Club, Grosvenor road, which has been arranged by Mary Countess of Minto, the Countess of Carlisle, Lady Rachel Stuart, the Hon. Mrs. Agar-Robartes and Mrs Stephen Courtauld in aid of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association and the Camberwell Welfare Centre. Some of the most celebrated skaters in the world will give exhibitions, and numerous prizes are offered for competition, including an evening cloak valued at one hundred guineas.

The Duke of Connaught is suffering from influenza at the Villa Les Bruyères, Cap Ferrat, where he has been spending the winter, and he was unable to attend the lawn tennis tournament at Monte Carlo this week. Princess Beatrice, who was laid up with influenza for a few days, has recovered and is seen out daily.

The marriage of Princess Isabel Alfonso, niece of the King of Spain, to Count Zamoisky, will take place at the Palacio Real, Madrid, on

GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S FOUR HUNDRED LIBERAL CANDIDATES.

UNEMPLOYMENT SECRET.

REPLIES BY CONSERVATIVE LEADERS TO NEW LIBERAL MOVE.

In three months' time Great Britain will be in the throes of a General Election, and the three political parties are perfecting their campaign plans.

Speeches of party leaders will be broadcast nightly to half a dozen audiences in half a dozen halls in towns miles apart; and travelling vans with loud speakers, gramaphone records and films will be used to influence the voters, whose numbers have been considerably increased by the extension of the franchise to all women who have reached the age of twenty-one.

Yesterday Mr. Lloyd George made his bid to revive the Liberal Party, which is to put up 400 candidates for the 615 seats. He said:—

"If the nation entrusts the Liberal Party at the next general election with the responsibilities of government, we are ready with schemes of work, which we can put immediately into operation—work of a kind which is not merely useful in itself, but essential to the well-being of the nation. The work put in hand will reduce the terrible figures of the workless in the course of a single year to normal proportions"

Replies by leaders of the Conservative and Labour parties were made last night. Mr. Amery said that the "9d. for 4d." was put in the shade by the new offer of "£100,000,000 for nothing." Sir W. Joynson-Hicks said that it was "a very lively rabbit to produce from a hat," while Mr. Ramsay Macdonald bluntly accused the Liberal ex-Premier of "talking through his hat."

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SECRET.

SCHEMES TO REMEDY UNEMPLOYMENT.

A definite pledge with regard to unemployment was given by Mr. Lloyd George, when he addressed nearly four hundred Liberals, who will contest seats at the coming election, at a luncheon in London yesterday.

"If the nation," he said, "entrusts the Liberal Party at the next general election with the responsibilities of government, we are ready with schemes of work, which we can put immediately into operation—work of a kind which is not merely useful in itself, but essential to the well-being of the nation.

"The work put in hand will reduce the terrible figures of the workless in the course of a single year to normal proportions, and will, when completed, enrich the nation and equip it for successfully competing with all its rivals in the business of the world. These plans will not add one penny to the national or local taxation."

The Liberal leader's declaration was cheered for several minutes.

TRANSPORT.

The first thing necessary was reorganisation of the transport system, which was quite inadequate and had broken down in chaos and confusion. The loss to the nation was growing greater every year.

The Government did not realise that a new factor was revolutionising transport. The Liberal Party did not propose to divide roads for pleasure motors, although the Chancellor of the Exchequer spoke as if it were only a matter of Rolls-Royces.

In 1928 there were 2,015,000 motor cars on the road, and the increase in weight was greater than the increase in numbers. Congestion in London led to a loss to business estimated at £25,000,000 a year. It was a national necessity that the national system of roads should be completed.

THE LAND.

"The revival of the countryside is vital," said Mr. Lloyd George, turning to agriculture. "Above all, there must be security of the cultivators. He must know that, whatever happens to the owner of the land, the fruits of his toil, capital, skill, thought and care would belong to him."

TALKING THROUGH HIS HAT.

LABOUR'S RETORT.

Speaking at St. Pancras, London, last night, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said that he had not had an opportunity of reading Mr. Lloyd George's very much advertised speech, except a scrap here and there; but he had no doubt that it was going to be boomed by every Liberal newspaper as a speech that heralded a revolution.

A great many of the old pledges that Mr. Lloyd George had renewed were still in the pawnbrokers—"a land fit for heroes to live in."

It was awkward for any man to say that he was going to reduce the number of unemployed within one year to a normal figure and not cost the taxpayer or ratepayer a penny. Mr. Lloyd George was talking through his hat.

The Labour Party would be glad after the election, when they had got in, to give Mr. Lloyd George an opportunity of throwing over his deputy lieutenant and supporting them in carrying out the policy regarding unemployment, which, perhaps, within a year, would reduce it to a normal burden on the ratepayer or taxpayer.

"A LIVELY RABBIT."

HOME SECRETARY'S RETORT.

The Home Secretary, Sir William Joynson-Hicks, speaking at Hull last night, said that he understood that Mr. Lloyd George had made a great speech on unemployment, and he told his audience that the Liberal Party would have a plan to get rid of unemployment without any cost to the nation.

That was a lively rabbit to get out of a hat. He wished him God-speed if he could clear away our unemployed of a million and a quarter without any cost to the nation. It was a great ideal. He would like to take part in it, and have any part of the honour for a great victory of that kind.

Sir William said that he was determined that law and order should be maintained in this land.

"DORA."

A Voice—What about Dora?

Sir William (disgustedly)—Dora. He challenged anyone to go out and tell the shop assistants that they were going to repeal the shop assistants' charter passed by the Conservative Government last year. They could not in this twentieth century condemn the shop assistants to the old hours of working, and any Liberal or Labour candidate who pledged himself on the platform to repeal that Act, would not only not gain his seat, but would lose his deposit.

A CHALLENGE.

Sir William was considerably interrupted later, and there was a "scene" on the question of ex-soldiers' pensions when a man in the gallery shouted: "I lost a leg; what did you lose?

Sir William heatedly replied: "I do not often use strong language at a meeting, but I have been challenged. There is no disabled soldier in the land who lost a limb in the war who is not receiving his pension properly. (Cheers.) "If it is proved otherwise I will apologise on the floor of the House of Commons, and, what is more, I will go myself to the Minister of Pensions and see that it is put right."

"100 MILLION POUNDS FOR NOTHING."

"A WONDERFUL PLAN," SAYS MR. AMERY.

Mr. Amery, the Secretary for the Dominions, speaking at Margate last night, said that afternoon a great rocket of Liberalism had been sent into the sky, but they were not sure that it was not a damp squib.

Mr. Lloyd George has spoken about the Liberals being a united party, but the luncheon showed that the true motto of the Liberal Party was: "United we eat; divided we vote."

Mr. Lloyd George had put forward a plan which was to put the Liberal Party into power at once. In a single year he was going to find enough work to put an end to unemployment without costing the ratepayers or taxpayers a penny. What a wonderful plan!

"Where," asked Mr. Amery, amidst laughter, "is the ninepence for fourpence now? How modest a slogan that was when you compare it with the present one of one hundred millions for nothing?"

Mr. Amery said that Mr. Lloyd George had spoken of the reckless settlement of the American debt.

"I venture to say, without fear of contradiction, that Mr. Lloyd George knew, when in office as Prime Minister, that no such general settlement as he now suggests was possible, but that he actually initiated the arrangement to make a single settlement with the United States."

GODDARD'S FINE OF £2,000.

SHERIFF'S OFFICERS IN HIS HOME.

Sheriff's officers are in possession of ex-Sergeant Goddard's house in Valley road, Streatham, London.

When Goddard was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court a fine of £2,000 was imposed in addition to eighteen months' hard labour. The Sheriff's officers were this week put into possession of a warrant to seize the furniture and other goods in the house unless the £2,000 fine was paid.

Mr. Freke Palmer, Goddard's solicitor, said to a Press representative yesterday:—"Before the Sheriff's officers were put in no request was made for the money. The authorities took Goddard's £12,000. This was practically all Goddard's money—the rest of the ready money had been spent in his defence and in other necessary expenses."

If Mrs. Goddard's claim to the furniture were not admitted, Mr. Freke Palmers said, action would be taken in the courts to establish it.

The Sheriff's officers are not actually in the house now, but they are still nominally in possession. An undertaking has been given that Mrs. Goddard will not move the furniture until the question of its ownership is settled.

The City Hall, Cashel, will be free for all local charitable entertainments as a result of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Cashel Urban Council.

COLLISION IN MID-AIR.

FLYING OFFICER KILLED.

Flying-Officer P. N. Seally Allin, of the 23rd Fighter Squadron, was killed as the result of a collision between two machines in mid-air at Kenley Aerodrome yesterday. Sergeant J. G. Freeman, the pilot of the second machine, escaped by means of a parachute.

The Air Ministry has made the following announcement:—

"A collision occurred between two Gamecock machines of No. 23 Fighter Squadron at Kenley. Flying-Officer P. N. Seally Allin was killed and Sergeant J. G. Freeman escaped by parachute."

An eye-witness told a Press Association Correspondent that the two machines had been doing flying exercises over the aerodrome for some time at a height of about 3,000 feet. The weather was perfect, and he watched them turning overhead. "I must have taken my eyes off them for a minute," he said; "for I did not actually see them collide. Suddenly, however, the two machines came spinning down quite close together, and crashed into the aerodrome. I saw the pilot (Sergeant Freeman), who had jumped, in his parachute, come down and alight on the top of one of the big hangars."

The Air Ministry announces that, as the result of an accident to a Siskin machine of No. 19 Fighter Squadron at Duxford, Cambridgeshire, on Thursday, Flight-Lieutenant George Anthony Fielding Bucknall, pilot and sole occupant, was killed.

STORM HOLDS UP TRAFFIC.

FRENCH TRAINS TEN HOURS LATE.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Friday.

A terrific windstorm in the Avignon district has completely disorganised the main line traffic of the P.L.M. Railway. Fallen telegraph poles have blocked the line at many points, while damage to signals rendered their operation most difficult.

Trains are running ten hours late, being obliged to take a roundabout route via various branch lines.

It is hoped that the service will have improved by to-morrow.

Traffic was also disorganised in the Perpignan, Montpellier and Nimes districts, and the situation was complicated by a lack of telephonic and telegraphic communication in consequence of the storm.

The streets of Nimes are strewn with tiles and broken chimney pots, and shop windows have been blown in.

RISE IN PETROL PRICES

CHEAPER IN DUBLIN THAN BELFAST.

The Associated Petrol Companies announced yesterday that there would be an increase in the price of all brands of petrol of 2½d. per gallon, both wholesale and retail, as distributed by them in the Free State. The increase took effect as from yesterday morning.

An increase of 1½d. per gallon in the price of kerosene of petroleum was also announced.

The price of petrol in Dublin is now 1s. 6½d. per gallon, instead of 1s. 4d. per gallon as heretofore.

The Russian Oil Products, Ltd., announce a similar increase in price on all brands of petrol distributed by them. Their prices, however, are still 1d. below those of the petrol combine.

The following table shows the changes in the price of petrol since 1920:—

1914	1/7	per gallon.
1920	3/10	,, ,,
1926	1/10	,, ,,
1927	1/3	,, ,,
1927	1/8	,, ,,
1927-28	1/4	,, ,,
1929	1/6½	,, ,,

In Belfast the price is now 1s. 8½d. ex pump, which compares with 1s. 2d. in Easter last year, when the companies made a reduction of 1½d. per gallon. Since then Mr. Churchill has imposed his 4d. tax. Belfast prices are 1½d. more than those charged in the London zone.

MR. BLYTHE'S BUDGET PLANS.

In conversation with an *Irish Times* representative yesterday, the manager of a well-known petrol firm said that the price of petrol, even with the present increase added, was ridiculously low; but he was afraid that there might be yet another increase in the price of petrol when Mr. Blythe announced his Budget.

Stating that the cost of the production of oil had gone up in recent years, he said that the consumption had also gone up in a large degree. In 1926 they produced 158 million gallons of crude spirit, and in 1928 they produced 185 million gallons.

"A TRAGIC BLOW."

On the other hand, Mr. E. S. Shrapnell Smith, President of the Commercial Users' Association, said that the increase means an average advance of about £9 on a goods vehicle in a year and £22 10s. a year on a motor 'bus per 1d. rise in the petrol price.

"Multiply that by two and a quarter and you have the total added burden to commercial motor users. I consider the advance is a tragic blow. It will be reflected in the cost of living."

£200,000 A YEAR.

It will cost the London General Omnibus Company £200,000 a year, according to Mr. Frank Pick, the managing director.

Messages from New York suggest that there is no justification for the rise on the basis of American output, which is concerned greatly with the problem of over-production. The American output is now rapidly approaching 2,750,000 barrels a day, and so many new wells are being opened that American producers are gravely concerned at the industry's future.

L.M.S. LOSSES IN TRAFFIC.

SIR JOSIAH STAMP ON ROAD COMPETITION.

Sir Josiah Stamp, at the meeting of the L.M. and S. Railway Company, reviewed the past year's working. "The losses in traffic receipts," he said, "were extremely severe. The reasons for the decline in passenger traffic are threefold:—

(1) Industrial depression;
(2) Road competition; and
(3) Reduced fares to conserve traffic against further losses to the roads.

The reasons for the loss of freight train revenue are, shortly, bad trade and road competition, with the emphasis on the former, but one other factor is the new method of charging from January 1.

The coal traffic was particularly bad, and, ignoring the year 1926, realised £700,000 less than the previous worst year, 1925.

DECLINE CHECKED.

The very serious decline was checked about the end of August, and in the current year the receipts are better than in the corresponding period of 1928, but the improvement has so far only partially made good the loss in that year as compared with 1927.

As evidence that it is not for the most part road competition which has brought about the decrease, he would point out that their diminution in total tonnage carried was 9,500,000 tons, and in the heavy classes of traffic, which are seldom dealt with on the road, about 9,000,000 tons.

ROAD TRANSPORT POLICY.

The course of trade in 1928 was, in fact, even worse than appeared probable a year ago, and particularly from March to August the freight traffic receipts were extremely bad. Since August there has been, not an increase, but a progressive reduction in the rate of decrease, and it is hoped that this tendency will continue.

To some extent the loss is attributable directly or indirectly to the extension of road competition. Investigations confirmed the view that it should be their first policy to co-operate with existing road transport undertakings to the greatest possible extent consistent with our own and the public interest. But the board is determined that the company shall, in one way or another, share in the road business.

The leaven of good-will and helpfulness lodged in the minds of their officers and men a year ago is quietly, but surely, spreading, and is working with pronounced effectiveness. Having carefully watched the progress of the movement, he had reached the very definite conviction that a substantial advance has been made along right lines, and that a continuance of these friendly co-operative activities will add materially to the satisfactory and successful working of that great railway undertaking.

(Full report on page 13.)

YESTERDAY IN THE DAIL.

ARGUMENTS AS BEFORE.

SOME REFLECTIONS ON THE DEBATES.

FREE VOTE ON SENATORS' SALARIES.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The more one listens to debates in Dail Eireann the more one marvels at the patience and tolerance of the Chair and the fortitude of the Press Gallery.

There is an almost insupportable tendency on the part of the leading speakers on all benches to repetition, and so strong is this tendency that the constant listener is reduced virtually to a state of nervous prostration.

"I am opposing this bill because I believe so-and-so, and because I think that the best safeguard the plain people can have is so-and-so," says a speaker, and, having made every point that it is within his capacity to make in less than ten minutes, he continues to repeat them during another thirty or sixty minutes.

REPETITION.

There are few members of the Ministry who can be excluded entirely from the general charge of "long-windedness," but, in all candour, the chief culprits are to be found in Fianna Fail's front benches. It is unfortunate, but a fact, that the spokesmen of the Opposition hold the view that they have failed in their duty to themselves and their constituents unless they can "hold the floor" for at least thirty, and, preferably, sixty minutes.

Some such reflections must surely have occupied the minds of the solitary three spectators who occupied the Public Gallery of the Dail yesterday while the deputies debated the second reading of the Constitution (No. 12) Amending Bill, which proposes to extend the period within which the Senate will be entitled to appeal against a decision of the chairman as to whether a bill is or is not a money bill.

Mr. Lemass anticipated a constitutional crisis if the measure were enacted, contending that it was designed to strengthen the power of the Senate in obstructing the functions of the Dail.

Within a few minutes after he had risen to speak, Mr. Lemass had made all the points that he desired to make against the measure, but he proceeded to repeat them so frequently as to drive an unaccustomed listener into a state of nervous hysteria.

SENATORS' SALARIES AGAIN.

It goes without saying that the House had not sufficient time in which to conclude the debate, and so we resumed the discussion on the second reading of Professor Thrift's bill to reduce the amount of Senators' allowances.

It may be remembered that last Friday Professor Tierney put forward an amendment suggesting that further consideration of the bill should be postponed until a Joint Committee of the two Houses had examined Professor Thrift's proposal. The Fianna Fail had opposed the amendment on the ground that it was a Ministerial move to shelve the issue, and the Labour group opposed both the second reading motion and the amendment on the basis that they would have the effect of excluding the working man from membership of the Senate.

The upshot of the resumed debate yesterday was that on a free vote of the House, Professor Tierney's amendment (which Professor Thrift had accepted) was adopted by 64 votes to 52.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

After this Mr. Vincent Rice moved the second reading of his Workmen's Compensation (Increase of Compensation) Bill to increase the minimum and maximum amounts payable to workmen under the 1906 Act from £150 and £300 respectively to £300 and £600; also to make a maximum weekly payment of 35s., and to put those who became partially incapacitated in a better position.

The Minister of Industry and Commerce did not oppose the measure, but he indicated that it was preliminary to a comprehensive measure which he intended to introduce not earlier than the autumn, to give effect to the findings of the Workmen's Compensation Committee. The second reading was agreed to without a division, and the House adjourned to Wednesday next.

THE KING HAS A GOOD DAY.

SITS AT OPEN WINDOW IN THE SUNSHINE.

It was officially stated at Craigweil House, Bognor, last night that the King had passed a good day. The weather conditions were the best of any since the King has been in Sussex. There was glorious sunshine all day long, with only a little wind to stir the trees, and not enough to make the day cold.

The windows of the King's room remained opened nearly the whole day, and the King spent many hours sitting reading at the window and gazing out over the Channel.

Lord Claud Hamilton and Lady Catherine Hamilton yesterday replaced Colonel Seymour and Lady Bertha Dawkins as Equerry to the King and Lady-in-Wating to the Queen respectively.

EX-DIRECTOR FOUND HANGING.

SEQUEL TO INQUIRY INTO COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

Mr. R. Leigh Jones, late director of R. E. Jones, Ltd., the well-known catering firm, was found hanging in the cellar of his residence at St. James's Gardens, Swansea, yesterday. He was one of the directors who tendered their resignations following the report of the investigation committee into the affairs of the company, and it is understood that he had been depressed ever since, although he himself took no part in the administrative side of the company.

During the day there was a protracted meeting of the shareholders of the company at which the committee's report was adopted and the vacancies on the Board caused by the resignation of Mr. Leigh Jones and his two brothers were filled.

'BUS OVERTURNED.

WOMEN AMONG BROKEN EGGS AND GLASS.

Six women, all on their way to Fleetwood market, were injured yesterday when a 'bus was overturned at Preesall, near Fleetwood. The 'bus got out of control when descending a steep hill, crashed through a fence at the bottom, jolted across a field, and was overturned.

The women were thrown into a heap, amidst broken eggs, and glass from the smashed windows. They were taken to their homes in a milk float.

Mrs. R. Porter, one of the injured women, said: "I had two hundred and twenty eggs with me." She remembered nothing of the accident.

The injured were:—Mrs. Whitlow, aged 70, severe laceration on the head; Mrs. R. Porter, injured shoulder; Mrs. Orr, cut arms and bruises; Mrs. J. Shepherd, Miss Shepherd, and Mrs. Brooks, bruises. All suffered from shock.

DEATH OF GERMAN ART EXPERT.

"FLORA" CONTROVERSY RECALLED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Friday.

The death occurred here to-day of Professor Wilhelm Von Bode, former Director of the Kaiser Friedrich Museum, a well-known art expert. He was aged 84 years.

By the death of Professor Von Bode Germany loses an art expert of international fame. He was virtually responsible, during the last 30 years, for bringing the art collections of the Prussian State Museums to their present high standard. In 1905 he was appointed General Director of all the Royal Museums of Prussia, and, with indefatigable zeal he turned them from somewhat second-class collections into galleries of world-renown, by procuring art treasures of all kinds from all over the world.

It was Bode who was responsible for the construction of the famous Kaiser Friedrich Museum, where he held the post of director until quite recently.

In this museum is exhibited the wax bust of "Flora," which caused great controversy in art circles before the war. Dr. Bode declared that it was the work of Leonardo da Vinci, despite the fact that a waistcoat found inside the bust convinced numerous experts that the bust was not the work of the famous Italian.

Professor Bode has written numerous books on art, in which sphere his word was regarded as law in Germany. One of his last acts was an appeal to the ex-Kaiser to forbid his relatives to sell their art treasures to foreign collectors.

NORTHERN IRELAND SPEAKER.

WILL NOT STAND AT NEXT ELECTION.

The Speaker of the Northern Ireland House of Commons, the Right Hon. Hugh O'Neill, in a letter to the Right Hon. W. R. Young, of Galgorm Castle, Co. Antrim, has announced that he does not propose to offer himself as a candidate for County Antrim at the next general election for the Northern Parliament.

"It is now nearly eight years," he says, "since the electors first sent me to represent them in our new Parliament, and during that time I have received nothing but the greatest kindness and consideration from them on all occasions.

"I cannot sufficiently say how much I appreciate this, the more so since my position as Speaker has precluded me from taking an active part in debate. My successor will, I hope, be a more satisfactory member in this respect.

"If it is the wish of my constituents that I should do so, I am prepared to stand again for the Imperial Parliament. In the event of my return it would, I know, be more and more difficult to give proper attention to the work in London so long as I remained a member of the local Parliament. It is quite obvious that after the next election the continuous attendance of our members at Westminster will be necessary. It is my hope, therefore, that I may not have to say a final good-bye.

"The step I am taking involves, of course, the resignation of my office as Speaker. This, unfortunately, will mean a permanent severance, and one I contemplate with the greatest regret. As to that, it will be my duty to make a formal announcement in the House of Commons.

"With my great personal thanks to you personally, and to those of the country who have given me so much help.

"Yours very sincerely,

"HUGH O'NEILL."

£500,000 FOR CIVIL SERVANTS.

RISE DUE TO COST OF LIVING IN BRITAIN.

From to-day 300,000 civil servants receive increases in their pay which will cost the British Exchequer in the next six months £500,000.

This is due to the operation of the half-yearly revision of the bonus paid to civil servants, which is calculated on the basis of the cost of living index figures.

"Roughly, what the arrangement amounts to," said Mr. S. Slocombe, Treasurer of the Civil Service Clerical Association, "is that civil servants are to receive what they lost over the fluctuations of the figure in the last six months. In all probability, as there is a seasonal variation, the bonus will again drop next September."

THE WEATHER FOR LAST MONTH.

COLDER AND DRIER THAN IN 1928.

February, 1929, was colder and drier than February, 1928, according to extracts from the Meteorological Register of the Ordnance Survey Office, Phoenix Park, Dublin, kindly supplied by the Assistant Director. The month ended compared with the corresponding month last year as follows:—

	1929.	1928.
Maximum air temperature ...	56.0	59.0
Minimum ,, ,, ...	26.0	31.3
Mean ,, ,, ...	39.4	43.9
Rainfall, in inches	2.04	2.43

The warmest day of last month was the 2nd, and the coldest night the 17th. There were 42 hours of sunshine during the month, the 10th being the sunniest day, with 7 hours 48 minutes of sunshine. February, 1929, had eight calm days, as against four in February, 1928.

Rain or snow fell on twenty days out of the twenty-eight last month, the wettest day being the 5th, when the rainfall was 0.45 inch.

FOUR MINERS KILLED.

TRAIN OF MINERAL WAGONS OVERTURNS.

Four miners employed at Pit House Colliery, at Brandon, some four or five miles from Durham, were killed yesterday by the overturning of a train of mineral wagons in which they were travelling. They were all married men.

A train of mineral wagons had been formed near the colliery, and the four men got into the cabin of the locomotive, which was being tried for the first time after being overhauled. The man in charge of the locomotive was attending to the trucks when the engine moved forward and dashed down a steep incline at great speed. At the end of a mile run the wagons left the metals and fell in a heap. The engine, still gaining speed left the rails about four hundred yards further on, and turned a complete somersault into a field. One man was thrown out and fell under the locomotive. The other three were trapped in the cabin. All four died as the result of the escape of steam.

The father of one of the men, Thomas Taylor (58), was killed at the same colliery twenty-seven years ago. One of his brothers was drowned in the river at Durham, and a second brother was killed at a local colliery.

ALLEGED SECRET TREATY.

DUTCH MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

NO REASON TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

THE HAGUE, Friday.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs replied to-day to the questions asked by M. Heemskerk, in the Second Chamber, about the alleged secret Franco-Belgian Military Agreement.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs declared that, in answer to the questions whether the text of the treaty was authentic, and whether the extracts written in 1927 interpreting it were correct, the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs had replied to the Dutch Minister in Brussels, referring him to the statement made by him in the Belgian Chamber on February 26th, and to the declarations made by M. Vandervelde and M. Cauwelaert on the same occasion, denying categorically the authenticity of the documents.

A categorial denial, he said, had also been received from the French Government. The acting British *Chargé d'Affaires* had sent, on the instructions of his Government, the text of the declaration made in the House of Commons, stating that since the war, apart from the Locarno Treaty, no agreement involving military obligations had been concluded between Great Britain and Belgium; that there was no agreement between the British General Staff and that of any other country whatever, and that no British Military Attaché in Brussels had even broached such a matter. In conclusion, the Foreign Minister declared that, in view of these statements, there was no reason for the Dutch Government to make any representations to the Governments mentioned.

GERMANY REASSURED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Friday.

A semi-official *communique* published here to-night contains the gist of a conversation which the German Ambassador in London has had with officials of the Foreign Office. Both parties agreed that the Locarno Pact would lose all its value if the impartiality of England were prejudiced by one-sided arrangements with Belgium or France and directed against Germany.

With regard to the publication in the Dutch Press, it was again stated on behalf of Great Britain that no co-operation had taken place between British military representatives and military representatives of France or Belgium which would be in conflict with the absolute impartiality of Great Britain, and that the British guarantee of the Rhine Pact text was in no way impaired.

On the same subject the French Foreign Minister declared to the German Ambassador, in Paris yesterday, that the Dutch publication was a forgery from beginning to end. He stated that the French Government had never thought, and never would think, of entering into obligations which would be in conflict with the provisions of the Rhine Pact, either in the letter or in the spirit.

BOISTEROUS SESSION ON WALL STREET.

SIX MILLION SHARES CHANGE HANDS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Friday.

Bedlam reigned on the Stock Market to-day as the public staged the wildest "bull" rampage this year, six million shares changing hands, amid scenes of tumultuous confusion.

There was a startling advance at the opening in all Copper stocks, which came out in a huge block. This started the ball, and afterwards buying orders poured in so fast that the harassed brokers could hardly keep up with the deluge.

United States Steel made a new record, and Radio crossed 400, while towards the close Rails began to rocket, New York Central selling at 200.

COLONEL LINDBERGH'S FIANCEE.

REPORTED DESIRE TO BECOME AN AIRWOMAN.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MEXICO CITY, Friday.

After making another air trip yesterday, as soon as possible after their accident, in order to avoid any possible loss of confidence, Colonel Lindbergh and his *fiancée*, Miss Anne Morrow, to-day remained on *terra firma*, and took a seventy-five mile excursion with Mrs. Morrow to the beautiful Lagabia Ranch, belonging to Senor Antonio Riba Cervantes, a friend of the Ambassador, and, in spite of his advanced age, a great aviation enthusiast.

Miss Anne Morrow has herself shown so much enthusiasm for aviation, and has been going up so often lately with Colonel Lindbergh, that it is rumoured she is anxious to handle a 'plane herself, and, if possible, become an airwoman before she becomes the bride of the great airman.

TELEPHONE CABLE TO AMERICA.

SEQUEL TO SUCCESS OF THE WIRELESS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Friday.

So greatly has the use of the trans-Atlantic wireless telephone increased since its inauguration, and so overloaded are the present facilities, that the American Telephone and Telegraph Company has decided to spend a vast sum of money in laying a special telephone cable across the Atlantic.

This fact emerges from the annual report of the company, issued to-day, which states that the stockholders number over half a million, while there are approximately 20,000,000 telephones now in use in the United States.

Last year the company spent 400,000,000 dollars on extending its services and on reconstruction work.

AMERICAN BAN ON SHAMROCK.

ROOT-PLANTS MAY NOT BE POSTED.

Shamrock will not be admitted into the United States of America unless the roots have been removed or the soil has been completely washed from the roots.

All growing or living plants are prohibited from transmission by post to the United States, and notification has been received that all postal packets containing shamrock will be examined, and that plants capable of propagation will be refused entry.

£5,000 TRAIN ROBBERY.

DUKE OF OPORTO'S WIDOW LOSES HER JEWELS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Friday.

The Princess de Braganza, widow of the Duke of Oporto, is reported by the police to have lost jewels valued at 20,000 dollars (£5,000) from her jewel-case while travelling by train to Florida last month.

The case contained jewels of the value of some £8,000. The police of all the cities on the route, as well as the jewellers and pawnbrokers, have been given a description of the missing gems.

LATE NEWS.

PUBLIC SAFETY ACT IN YUGO-SLAVIA.

IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT RECOGNISING NEW REGIME.

DEATH PENALTY.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BELGRADE, Friday.

Anyone who shows in any way that he does not recognise the existing *régime* in Yugo-Slavia may now be punished with a term of six months' imprisonment and a fine of 6,000 dinars (£20) under new regulations which became law by virtue of the King's decree to-day.

Communists and anarchists are punishable under Clause 1 of the Defence of the Realm Act by twenty years' imprisonment and even death.

The new decree extends the powers of the Yugo-Slavian "Dora" to prosecute all persons carrying on propaganda for any reasons whatsoever against the unity of the State, or any agitation likely to encourage dissatisfaction with the present *régime*, arouse racial or class hatred, or hinder the authorities in carrying out their duties.

Offenders against this decree may be tried by a special "Dora" Court or by ordinary Court, according to the wish of the authorities, and may be sentenced to imprisonment from twelve months to five years and fined anything between 6,000 and 20,000 dinars (£20 to £72).

THE GERMAN TRADE TREATY.

GENERAL HERTZOG'S NEW MOVE.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

CAPE TOWN, Friday.

The resolution approving the German trade treaty was carried in the House of Assembly this afternoon by the normal Government majority. The debate has revealed again the fundamental difference of opinion in South Africa. The Government, supported by the Creswell Labour group, is always on the look-out for opportunities to assert its independence of Great Britain. The Opposition is always maintaining the essential advantage to South Africa of being one of the British Commonwealth of States, and resisting exercises in independence which fly in the face of that advantage.

A very serious development took place immediately after the resolution approving the treaty was passed. General Hertzog did not move the customary motion transmitting the resolution to the Senate by approval. Questioned by General Smuts, General Hertzog said he regarded the Assembly as the competent Legislative authority by which the Treaty must be ratified. Article 25 of the Treaty laid it down that the present Treaty, after having been approved by the competent Legislative authorities of the contracting parties, shall be ratified. General Hertzog declared that the Government regarded itself as empowered to decide what was the competent Legislative authority in South Africa in this connection, and had decided so to regard the Assembly as being the people's House and ignore the Senate, to which the Treaty would not be submitted for approval.

An immediate protest was made by the Opposition against this decision, and there was an angry scene. Obviously, a most important constitutional question is involved. The possibility of the Government's taking this line was realised when it omitted to submit the Kellogg Pact to the Senate. It was clear that this might be regarded as a precedent, though the Kellogg Pact is an international agreement, while the Treaty with Germany is a trade convention, intimately affecting South Africa. The Senate South African Party, therefore, introduced and passed in the Senate their own motion approving the Kellogg Pact.

This was intended as a deliberate creation of a precedent, and the South African Party in the Senate may now be expected to introduce and pass there by its majority a resolution disapproving of the German Treaty. Thus a stubborn conflict between the Senate and the Government is certain.

HEENEY-MALONEY FIGHT.

Maloney defeated Heeney on points.

"PLAGUE BACILLI IN BOMBS."

SIR B. MOYNIHAN STICKS TO HIS STATEMENT.

Sir Berkeley Moynihan, the eminent surgeon, yesterday told a Press Association reporter at Leeds that he had nothing to withdraw from his statement made a few days ago at the dinner of the Authors' Club to the effect that the Germans dropped plague bacilli by bomb over the Fifth British Army in 1918.

Herr Sthamer, the German Ambassador, published in *The Times* of yesterday an official denial of the story.

To a Press Association reporter the Ambassador said: "Both the former Commander of the *Flugzeugmeisterei*, who was in charge of the technical side of the German Air Force, and specially of the throwing of bombs, and the former Chief of the Medical Department of the Air Force, have definitely stated that bombs thrown by the German Air Force have never carried plague bacilli of any kind, and that no attempt has ever been made to spread plague in this way."

When informed of this denial Sir Berkeley Moynihan replied: "My statement was founded on official records—the 'Official History of the War,' Volume 2, Medical Services, Pages 453 and 460. The extracts are as follow:—

"'On the Western front, in 1916, it was rumoured that the Germans might use plague as an offensive weapon against the Allied Armies, but this was considered highly improbable. In view of the rumour, however, the A.D.M.S. sanitation in France advised the Director-General that all sick or dead rats whose condition was not due to the measures taken for their destruction should be sent to a laboratory for examination. The French at the time were making a determined attack against rats inhabiting the front line, and their methods were used by the British co-operating with them.

"'In January, 1918, the D.M.S.O., the Fifth Army, reported that the mobile laboratory in his area had examined some material dropped by an enemy balloon, and that bacilli resembling the *bacillus pestis* had been isolated. Increased attention was, therefore, paid to the destruction of rats and the notification of any disease found amongst captured rats.'"

"Detailed instructions are then given in the 'History' of the measures proposed for the destruction of rats.

"I have only just seen the German Ambassador's letter," Sir Berkeley added, "and I intend telegraphing a letter to the editor of *The Times* in reply."

GRANTS TO IRISH LOYALISTS.

VOTE OF £385,000.

A POSSIBLE £250,000 MORE.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Friday.

In Committee of Supply in the House of Commons to-day Mr. Amery, Secretary for Dominion Affairs, presented a supplementary estimate of £385,000, stating that this was the sum required to enable payment to be made in full to Irish loyalists, on the recommendation of the Wood-Renton Committee, to the end of the financial year. The Prime Minister had stated, last Friday, quite clearly the reasons which decided the Government. (Labour laughter.) The Government had throughout taken the view that the recommendations of this Committee were not the awards of a legal tribunal which constituted a debt of honour that must be paid in full, but that they were advisory recommendations, and that it was for the Government to decide what amount to allot in order to meet the claims for hardship suffered by Irish loyalists on the establishment of the Irish Free State. The Government had never ignored those hardships, and there rested on it special obligations to afford some substantial measure of relief.

In view of the clearly-expressed opinion in all parts of the House that this relief should be on so generous a scale as not to leave behind any bitterness or rankling sense of injustice, it was decided to remove the limit previously sanctioned, and to make payment in full of these recommendations. (Cheers.) In coming to this decision the Government had been influenced not only by the general sense of the House, but also by the knowledge that the work of the Wood-Renton Committee had been carried out with scrupulous care and the closest regard for the public interest. The procedure of that Committee, which was less formal than that of a judicial tribunal, had been practical and searching. The payments to be made would not involve any which were extravagant or disproportionate to the hardships and suffering endured.

THE PROBABLE TOTAL.

The total amount which would have been paid in connection with these *ex gratia* payments by the end of the current year would be £1,377,000. It was impossible, owing to the nature of the claims, to state what the further amount would be that would be required in next year's estimates, but he ventured to suggest the figure of £250,000, although it might be £100,000, more or less, either way.

In putting forward this increased estimate he hoped that this payment would afford some comfort to the people who had suffered cruelly in the dark chapter of Irish affairs, and that it might prove to be the prelude to a better state of things in the future.

Mr. J. H. Thomas (Labour, Derby) said that Mr. Amery stated that the Prime Minister had given the reason, last Friday, for the change of front of the Government. But the Prime Minister had given two reasons. One of these was at the Worcestershire dinner. (Laughter.) It was there that he told the story of the pigs, and the remark of the old drover who said that they could not be "druv," and whispered to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "That is why we surrendered." (Laughter.) It was a curious thing, said Mr. Thomas, that the Prime Minister, having satisfied himself that he could not drive pigs one way, made up his mind that they would surrender. He refused to believe that Mr. Churchill was thinking of pigs on the occasion when the matter was last before the House, unless he had in his mind the unkind things which were being said about him by his friends. (Laughter.)

Continuing, Mr. Thomas described as "Black Tuesday" the day when the Chancellor was thrown over by the Prime Minister, and he added that the Labour Party now said to the Government: "No, you cannot justify these continual jumps." The Chancellor now had to accept the bill of the Wood-Renton Committee, without having a word to say in it. Was it a wonder that the Labour Party were entitled to say "No"? This was an abject surrender on the part of the Chancellor.

Mr. F. A. MacQuisten (Unionist, Argyllshire) said that he was not prepared to accept any lecture from Derby on the matter of inconsistency, because the Labour Party was prepared, in a few hours, to give a loan of 45 millions to Russia without security. There was

week that this was not, in the Government's view, a legal tribunal giving legal awards. The basis of the investigation was on the equity of the case, and the hardship endured, and for that reason the Government was not represented before the Committee.— Undoubtedly, if we had wished, we could have treated it differently. The Government relied on the careful and close scrutiny carried out by the Committee.

Mr. J. H. Thomas read the words used by Mr. Churchill when the estimate was originally before the Committee, to the effect that it was not a tribunal constituted on a legal basis, where both parties to the controversy were represented, and that they could not expect the Minister responsible for the public finances to allow anybody the privilege of writing unlimited cheques upon the public account, otherwise than by judicial procedure, with both parties represented.

Mr. Amery replied that that was perfectly clear statement of the facts. The tribunal was not a court of law, and it whole procedure was informal, but it had made a searching inquiry, which was carried out in due regard to public economy.

Captain Wedgwood Benn asked what about the future of the Wood-Renton Committee. We were bound to honour any award they made, and that in the absence of a representative of the Exchequer to watch the interests of the taxpayer.

Sir William H. Davison (Con., Kensington, S.) said that he wished to express his personal gratitude to the Government for their decision to pay their claims in full. He very much regretted, on the other hand, the inconsistency of the Socialist Party. When they were in office they adhered to the policy of their predecessors, which they had now gone back on, to score cheaply off the Government. "Recently," he said, "the British taxpayers have frequently been called on to make good sums of money which should really be the liability of the Free State." But in this case there was the over-riding liability to all parties in the House to see that ample justice was done.

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy (Labour, Central) said that what he objected to was that the Conservative Party, which was bound to pay these claims in full, had [illegible] deaf ear to the appeals on behalf of the sufferers from enemy action during the war.

Sir Alfred Hopkinson (Con., English Universities) said that they looked upon this matter on a basis of justice and right. It did not matter whether the claimants were rich or poor. The claims had been properly inquired into, and the Government was bound in honour to meet them fully. It was a miserable quibble to say that the Committee was not properly constituted to make awards. There was nothing compassionate in what the Government was doing, but only what was right and proper in all the circumstances. They were proud to support the Government in what they were now doing to discharge their debt of honour.

The vote was agreed to without a division.

SUNSHEEN, LIMITED.

JUDGE AND A TREASURY GUARANTEE.

In the Chancery Division, London, before Mr. Justice Eve, yesterday, counsel on behalf of the Treasury Solicitor moved *ex parte* for a receiver of Sunsheen, Ltd., which, he said, was an English company with works in Ireland for the manufacture of artificial silk.

Counsel added that a debenture stockholder's action had been brought against the company, there having been certain breaches of the covenant in the trust deed securing the stock which had rendered the security enforceable. The Treasury Solicitor was the owner of part of the debenture stock issued by the company. This was one of those cases in which there had been a guarantee by the Treasury under the Trade Facilities Act.

Mr. Justice Eve—Is this an Irish company?

Counsel—The works are in Ireland, but it is an English company.

His Lordship—And there is a Treasury guarantee or loan of £85,000?

Counsel—The Treasury guaranteed a loan. It was proposed, added counsel, to appoint the secretary of the company receiver. There were not many of these cases.

His Lordship—Always excepting the Irish manufacture of silk stockings, and so on.

Counsel said that the machinery was constructed in Great Britain, and that might be the reason why the Treasury guaranteed the loan.

His Lordship—Not much sunshine about it. I will appoint the receiver for a week, and notice of motion can be served on the company for next Friday.

EX-COLONEL FACES JAIL.

FORTNIGHT'S GRACE TO PAY INSTALMENTS DUE.

At Carrick-on-Shannon District Court yesterday, before Mr. J. H. Rice, Mr. John A. Pettit, solicitor, Carrick-on-Shannon, applied to have ex-Colonel James Farrelly, Furnace, Dromod, formerly of the Free State Army, committed to prison for failure to pay his monthly instalments of £1 per month since November last on a debt and costs of £20 14s. 10d., due to Mrs. C. Pettit, Granard.

Mr. Pettit stated that when the case was originally before the Court, the Colonel swore that he had a pension of £180, and the Justice made an order that the debt be paid in £1 instalments.

Mr. Rice—And he paid some?

Mr. Pettit—Yes.

Mr. Rice said the Colonel had treated the Court with contumely. It was no pleasure to him to have this application before him owing to the position the defendant held and his distinguished military career. The Act was adamantine, and left him no option. He would sentence the defendant to one month's imprisonment, but owing to his past career no hard labour would be attached.

Mr. Pettit—And owing to his past military position, I would ask you to postpone execution of the warrant.

Mr. Rice said he was glad to see Mr. Pettit adopting such an attitude, and gave the Colonel fourteen days to reconsider his position.

ROSSE COLLEGE (LADIES' DEPT.), 70 Stephen's Green. Thorough Commercial Training. 188 certificates and 65 positions Private 3d by lady pupils during 1928.—(Advt.)

CHICAGO GANG MURDERS.

TWO ARRESTS.

CHARGES AGAINST THE POLICE WITHDRAWN.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CHICAGO, Friday.

The police, who have been rounding-up members of the gang alleged to have slain seven rival North side bootleggers with machine guns, arrested two more suspects yesterday.

Jack Macgurn, a member of "Scarface" Al. Capone's lawless band, and Rocco Fannell, a West side gangster, have been imprisoned as participants in the massacre.

Macgurn was identified by witnesses as being on the scene of the tragedy; Fannell was identified from his photograph as fleeing the crime in an automobile, according to the police.

The authorities have now virtually discarded the theory of prohibition deputies here that the police committed the outrage.

Charges by Deputy Commissioner Silloway, involving the police in complicated hi-jacking activities, were repudiated by Dr. James Doran, United States Prohibition Commissioner, and the deputy was called to Washington to explain his accusations.

The machine-gun massacre, which led to a general clean-up drive, under Police Commissioner Russell, occurred two weeks ago. Gangsters invaded the liquor warehouse of the North side ring, dragged eight rival thugs outside, lined them up against the brick wall, and then shot them with a machine gun. Only one survived.

PROPOSED PAVILION FOR BRAY.

OFFICIAL INQUIRY.

A sworn inquiry was held yesterday at Bray Town Hall into the application of Mr. Meghan, Commissioner for the affairs of Bray Urban Council, for permission to raise a loan of £5,000 for the erection of a pavilion on the Esplanade at Bray. Mr. Michael Ryan, B.E., held the inquiry on behalf of the Ministry for Local Government.

Mr. James Murnane (instructed by Mr. J. M. Magee, solicitor) appeared for the Commissioner. Mr. P. J. Meghan, B.E. Mr. McDowell, solicitor, represented Mr. T. O'Reilly, an objector. Mr. Picton Bradshaw, representing the Tickell estate, also appeared as an objector.

Mr. Meghan, the Commissioner, said that he found when endeavouring to make use of the existing large bandstand for concert parties and entertainments that he had to cut off a large section of the Esplanade, and this gave rise to a good deal of dissatisfaction. A pavilion, he submitted, would show a profit if reasonable care were exercised in the choice of the entertaining companies. It was proposed to raise the loan from the Council's treasurer, the Hibernian Bank, at ½ per cent., under the bank's minimum discount rate, with a ten-year period for repayment. The cost of maintenance would be £50 a year, with insurance at £10, and staff wages £100; while the annual instalment and interest would be £775. He estimated the receipts at £2,000, less £1,100 guaranteed to artistes. He said that if this proposed pavilion were not erected the ratepayers would find that there would be no amusements beyond band performances on the front during the next season.

Mr. John McCaull, Town Clerk, and Mr. P. Devitt, Secretary to the Bray Amusements Committee, gave evidence in support of the application.

Mr. Thomas O'Reilly, who opposed the application, said that he was a large property owner, and believed that the pavilion would be a further burden on the rates.

Mr. Bradshaw did not offer any evidence.

The inquiry concluded.

A CROSS-CHANNEL STEAMER.

NEW BOAT FOR LIVERPOOL-DUBLIN SERVICE.

Messrs. Ardrossan Dockyard, Limited, successfully launched from their shipyard at Ardrossan last Thursday the new twin-screw steamer Lady Meath, which they have constructed to the order of the British and Irish Steam Packet Co., Ltd., Dublin. As the vessel commenced her journey down the launching-ways, she was gracefully named by Mrs. Barry, wife of Mr. D. Barry, O.B.E., Director and General Manager of the owning company.

The vessel, which is finely modelled, will be fitted with two sets of triple expansion reciprocating engines, constructed by Messrs. John G. Kincaid and Co., Ltd., Greenock, capable of maintaining a speed on service of about 14 knots in average weather.

The Lady Meath is 320 feet in length by 40 feet beam, and is fitted up in the most up-to-date manner for the rapid transport of cattle, sheep and cargo between Dublin and Liverpool. Built under the special survey of the British Corporation for the Survey and Registry of Shipping to their highest class for the projected service, the arrangements in the vessel have been fully approved by the Board of Agriculture to carry 800 cattle and 1,350 sheep.

RELICS OF 1798.

SCHOOLBOYS' DISCOVERY NEAR GOREY.

Three pikes of the '98 type were unearthed by schoolboys in a field on the slopes of historic Tara Hill, Gorey. They are to be sent to the National Museum in Dublin.

The pikes are in a fair state of preservation.

For terms [illegible]

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

BIRDS AND IRISH LEGENDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—An appreciation of my little essay from so eminent a naturalist as "C. B. M." is a very high compliment, and I thank him for it; but, at the same time, I do not think he has at all shaken my theory of the connection between the snipe and the phooka. There is no doubt at all that there were people in Ireland at an early date who knew all about the snipe and his queer "love-song." There must have been Nature students all over Ireland in the golden age of the Gaelic language; otherwise how are we to account for the abundance and fullness of the vocabulary of that tongue in naming wild plants, trees and flowers, which strikes anyone who ever opens an Irish dictionary? Often these names are wonderfully apposite and poetical, indicating powers of observation and imagination beyond the average. The name of "aerial kid" given to the snipe is an excellent example of these qualities.

These things, however, belonged to the days when Ireland was the land of saints and scholars, when Columcille fought for a copy of the Psalms, when the Four Masters wrote, when Malachy was the bosom friend of Bernard of Clairvaux, when flourished the art which could produce the Book of Kells. Most, if not all, of the folk-lore of Ireland must belong to an age long anterior to this—namely, to pagan times. Folk-lore is a survival from paganism—certainly such superstitious terrors as warlocks, goblins, phookas, vampires, witches, etc. It has its roots far back in primitive beliefs, which survive the coming of Christianity, and are as hard to kill as the weeds which, deep-rooted in the soil, persist in coming up long after the land has been tilled and the good seed sown. Those were the days of the primitive Gael I tried to picture.

It is among the illiterate that folk-lore flourishes. When the educated begin to take notice of it, it is already doomed. Nowadays we form folk-lore societies, and go about collecting these strange legends to save them from oblivion, because nearly everyone can read, and no one wants to gather around the fire to listen to the old crone telling fairy tales or harrowing our feelings with fearsome adventures with terrible goblins, which we all know to be imaginary and only laugh at. Yet, I dare say, even now, it would not be difficult to find peasants simple and unlettered enough to believe still in the phooka, and to laugh at one who would tell them that the strange bleating is the voice of a bird, and not of a demon. Superstition is hard to kill. It may be a long time yet before some people cease to shudder at the voice of the snipe as something uncanny.—Yours, etc.,

W. F. A. ELLISON.

Armagh, March 1st, 1929.

THE GREAT SOUTHERN RAILWAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Anyone who has assisted at meetings of a board, or of a committee of any kind, must have discovered that the only difference between the decisions of five or six capable, experienced men and the decisions of a dozen or more is that the dozen or more take a longer time to decide anything. I would, therefore, propose, if I could attend the meeting of the Great Southern Railways Company on the 8th March, that about half the vacancies made by retiring directors should not be filled; and, further, that the directors who are not retiring should nominate the candidates for the vacancies that are to be filled, as no one knows better than they do which of the retiring directors would be most useful when re-elected. Those not re-elected may be just as able, just as experienced, but they are surplus to requirements.

The saving of a few fees to directors may seem a small thing, but it sets a good example, and every economy is necessary. The same thing should be repeated next year, and the next, until the board of directors is reduced to a businesslike size.—Yours, etc.,

D. BRADY.

Rath, Lismore, February 28th, 1929.

CITY PLAYGROUNDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your delightful "Irishman's Diary" records to-day in picturesque terms a little scene which can be witnessed in many streets in Dublin every day. This is top-spinning season, and the children seem to consider that the pavements have been put down for their special benefit, and pursue their sport quite oblivious to the inconvenience they are causing to foot-passengers intent on getting to their destination. When these games are varied by a surprise attack, such as is described by your "Irishman," of "boy bandits," rushing to the scene with mock revolvers, the results of the fun may very likely end in the police court or the hospital. Day by day we read of the pitiful tales of deaths and disablements of little boys and girls caused by motor accidents, and no less sad stories of children being classed as delinquents because of getting into mischief when playing football in the streets. All this is because there are so few playgrounds in the city where children can indulge their natural love of games and develop both physically and morally through such play, under wise and sympathetic supervision.

For many years the Women's National Health Association has maintained two or three such supervised playgrounds, where the improvement amongst the children, both in physique and in manners and *moral*, is so marked that it is heart-breaking that such a system is so limited because of lack of funds.

For the last two summers an experiment has been made of shutting off a part of Empress place, after school hours, and using it as a street playground, with the consent and co-operation of the City Commissioners. The experiment has proved an immense success, and the inhabitants of the district have signified their pleasure and satisfaction in unmistakable terms.

Is it not possible to interest the citizens of Dublin sufficiently in the playground movement to enable many more such street play grounds to be started for the protection and benefit of the children of the city? If they want to see what a supervised playground is like, let them go to the "Civic Playground," in Constitution Hill, opposite King's Inns, any afternoon between the hours of four and five o'clock, and see what even one playground can accomplish.—Yours, etc.,

ISABEL ABERDEEN.

Women's National Health Association of Ireland, 9 Ely place, Dublin,
March 1st, 1929.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND APPEALS.

AN URGENT NEED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The success which has attended the open-air treatment of children in the Sunshine Home has exceeded all expectations. Seventy-six children, who would have passed into a stage of crippling deformity and permanent ill-health, already have been discharged cured. The Committee is now receiving applications for more and more admissions, especially from those districts to which the cured children have returned. There is no accommodation at present available, and a deaf ear, of necessity, must be turned to pathetic appeals.

The Committee pleads for financial help to build, equip and endow a ward to accommodate twelve additional children. The waiting list for the twenty-four beds at present available—and always occupied—is so large that under present conditions there is no hope of securing treatment for some of the children until too late. We trust for a generous response to the appeal for £3,000, which appears in another column.—Your, etc.,

ELLA G. A. WEBB, Chairman.
LETITIA OVEREND, Hon. Treasurer.
CATHERINE MOORE, Secretary.
Children's Sunshine Home, Stillorgan,
Co. Dublin, March 1st, 1929.

ENGLISH BUNGALOW FIRE.

VALUABLE PICTURES SAVED.

The bungalow residence of Mr. William Beaumaurice Rush, situated in Farthinghoe Park, near Brackley (Northamptonshire), was damaged by fire yesterday. The fire originated from a spark from the drawingroom chimney.

The Brackley Fire Brigade worked well with the villagers, saving many valuable pictures and some furniture, but a large painting of the Heath family, former owners of the estate, was destroyed.

THE REV. HUGH CARPENTER.

The Rev. Hugh Carpenter, Parish Priest of Collinstown, died suddenly at the Parochial House yesterday. Father Carpenter had been engaged on parochial duties during the day, and on returning to dinner he had a fatal seizure. Born in 1874, he was educated at St. Finian's College and Maynooth, and had served as curate at Coole, Collinstown, Taughmon, and Castletown, before his appointment as Administrator of Mullingar Parish. In 1920 he was appointed Parish Priest of Collinstown.

DE-RATING UNDER CONSIDERATION.

FREE STATE GOVERNMENT WANTS TIME.

STATEMENT PROMISED IN BUDGET SPEECH.

De-rating proposals for the Irish Free State were considered at a meeting of the General Council of County Councils in Dublin yesterday.

The meeting passed resolutions calling on the Government to introduce de-rating, commending proposals made by Mr. P. Belton for securing the requisite revenue, and, as de-rating could not in any case operate this year, calling for the doubling of the agricultural grant.

The Chairman (Senator P. W. Kenny) informed the meeting that the Minister for Finance intends to make a statement on de-rating when introducing his Budget.

Several members expressed favourable opinions of a scheme put forward by Mr. David Frame. This scheme included the easing of local contributions to road maintenance through the construction of concrete roads out of a national loan.

AGRICULTURAL GRANT.

DEMAND FOR DOUBLING THIS YEAR.

The Chairman, opening the proceedings, said that a deputation from the Council had put certain schemes before the Minister for Finance. The Minister had told them that de-rating had been receiving attention from the Executive Council for some time, and that his first pronouncement on the subject would be made in the Dail. No decision could be reached in time for the striking of the rate in the present year. In England, the Minister had stated, the matter was under consideration for the last two years. Here they could not come to any decision for at least twelve months, but a statement would be made by him in the Dail when introducing his Budget. The relief to agriculture, which was suggested, was about 1¾ millions a year, and the question for the Government was to see how that money was to be made up from other sources. The general difficulty in dealing with tariffs was that in protecting one industry another industry might be injured, so that matters required long and careful consideration.

Mr. Brett (Meath) said that an order had been issued by the Local Government Department, telling County Councils to strike a rate, and not to wait for a decision on this matter.

The Chairman said that they had sent out notices to County Councils not to strike a rate until they had received the report of their Special Committee, and they could now instruct the County Councils whether they were to strike a rate in the usual way.

Mr. C. M. Byrne (Wicklow) spoke of the deputation to the Minister for Finance on Thursday, and said that his impression was that the Minister for Finance did not intend to do anything in the matter; at all events, he made it quite clear that nothing would be done this year.

Miss K. Breen (Kerry) said that the Kerry County Council postponed the striking of the rate finally, and it met the previous day, and asked the Minister to extend the time. The road rate at present was going to tie up not only the agricultural industry, but it was going to tie up every ratepayer in the country, and it meant starvation. The question was what steps were to be taken to relieve the country, because everywhere one turned it was starvation. There were big salaries and pensions being paid to people, and she did not know where it was going to finish.

Mr. O'Donnell (Mayo) said that there were districts along the coasts where people were practically living by exporting shell-fish. The Government should effect economies. The Dail membership should be reduced to one-half, and the Senate should be done away with.

REVENUE DEVICES.

Mr. P. Belton (Co. Dublin) said that the finance necessary to carry out the de-rating of agricultural land in the Free State could be derived from the following sources without any adverse effects on the business of the country:—(1) Dividends on securities covering legal tender or currency notes—£6,000,000 at 5 p.c.—£300,000; (2) amend Currency Act and empower the Currency Commission to sell the consolidated bank notes to the joint stock banks at full face value as in the case of currency notes, and invest proceeds in National Loan—dividends therefrom £6,000,000 at 5 p.c.—£300,000; (3) special tax of 1s. 6d. in the £ on incomes from foreign investments of £240,000,000 — income approximately £10,000,000 at 1s. 6d. in the £—£750,000; (4) special tax of 1s. 6d. in the £ on dividends, profits, rents, pensions, etc., leaving the country annually — approximately £6,000,000—£450,000. By these means, he said, they would get a total revenue of £1,800,000.

Mr. David Frame (County Wicklow) explained the scheme put forward by him (which was summarised in yesterday's *Irish Times*), and said that his principal point in advancing his scheme was that at the present time the farmers objected to being taxed for main and trunk roads, because these roads were of no use to them. They said that they could not drive horses or cattle on these roads, and that was true, because immediately rain came these roads became like glass. In America and Canada and other countries the Governments had taken up the question of roads, and made it a State question. By building good roads—concrete roads—nobody actually knew the life of them. He had seen concrete roads laid down in America fifteen years ago, and they were still quite good. Engineers estimated the life of them as at least twenty years. He was only giving the life of the road at ten years, and after that he was putting down a certain amount for repairs. Once roads were laid down they would not cost anything like £5,000 a mile to keep in repair for the second ten years. In fact, £500 a mile should do it. This country wanted employment, and building houses gave a certain amount of employment, but only a certain area got the benefit of it. In building roads all over the Free State they were going to give employment all over the country.

EMPLOYMENT ON ROADS.

He did not know of any other form of work that would give as much employment as the making of roads. He had gone into the question, and he calculated that, by building 400 miles of roads per annum, it would give employment directly and indirectly to 15,000 men for forty weeks of the year for ten years. That would relieve a great deal of distress which existed in the country at the present time, and it would stop emigration. By taking the unemployed men off the dole the effect would be that Mr. Blythe would not lose a penny.

Petrol tax was the cheapest tax collected in the Free State, because it came in large quantities, and could be easily examined in the ships. He proposed to give motor cars used for pleasure a reduction of 50 per cent. in the tax, and cars used for commercial purposes a reduction of 20 per cent.

One of the ideas of this scheme was to give farmers relief of rates, and for the first three years this would give a relief of £600,000 per annum, and, after that, it would decrease, because, with employment in the country, people would be in a better position to pay rates.

This scheme would give employment to 15,000 men for ten years. Then there was the question of the establishment of a cement factory. At present there was not enough cement used in the country to keep a cement factory going, because a cement factory worked night and day, except for a week at Christmas. It took between 400 and 500 tons of cement to make a mile of road 18 to 21 feet wide, so that they would need 150,000 tons of cement a year, and that would give an opportunity of starting a cement factory in the country.

Mr. W. Forgrave (County Monaghan) said that they were deeply indebted to Messrs. Belton and Frame for the immense trouble they had taken in this matter. (Hear, hear.) He used to think that he had average intelligence, but now he was beginning to think very little of himself, because he confessed that he was not able to follow the reasoning of Mr. Belton. If the farmers got this relief other people would not get it.

Mr. Belton—Neither are getting it now.

Mr. Forgrave said that they had descriptions of the country being starving, but he wondered if they were correct. Last Saturday he did not know how much money was spent in connection with a football match in Dublin—(a member, "£10,000")—and they had theatres and picture houses all over the country. That did not show any signs of starvation. He thoroughly agreed with Mr. Frame that concrete roads were the best, because he knew farmers who complained bitterly about the state of the tar roads.

Mr. Walsh (Co. Kilkenny) said that the thing was too complex for them to come to any conclusion that afternoon. He suggested that the two schemes be printed and circulated to the various County Councils, and let them digest the matter and give their views. He agreed with Mr. Frame that concrete roads were the thing. He was in favour of abolishing all road licence duty on motor cars and parts, and putting a tax of, say, 6d. a gallon on petrol. By this system buses which used a large amount of petrol, and which did considerable damage to roads, would have to pay their fair share.

Mr. P. Brett (Westmeath) thought that they ought to do something practical that day.

PROPOSITIONS.

Mr. Sean O'Byrne (Wexford) proposed that they adopt Mr. Frame's scheme.

The Chairman asked if it would not be better to do nothing until Mr. Blythe made his announcement when introducing the Budget in the Dail in April.

Mr. Belton proposed (1) that they request the Government to de-rate agricultural land in a similar way and from the same date as Great Britain and Northern Ireland; (2) that all county councils be instructed to issue only warrants for the collection of one moiety of the rates, and that the Minister for Finance make up the deficiency in the rates, and (3) that the scheme of Mr. Belton be approved.

Mr. E. Aherne (Cork) seconded.

Mr. J. A. O'Neill (Co. Dublin) proposed that the Minister for Finance be asked to double the present agricultural grant of £1,200,000, and that the sum of £250,000 at present improperly taken from the road fund and given to the Central Fund, be refunded.

After some discussion the first portion of Mr. Belton's motion was passed unanimously—namely, that the Council request the Minister to de-rate agricultural land in a similar way and from a similar date as the Governments of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

After considerable further discussion, on the motion of Mr. Aherne, seconded by Mr. Gilligan (Sligo), the following resolution was adopted, the chairman dissenting:—

"That the Council adopt the scheme of Mr. P. Belton as a sound national scheme to finance de-rating, but that, owing to the lateness of the time for preparing a de-rating scheme, we demand that the agricultural grant of £1,200,000 be doubled, and we request the Minister for Finance to prepare a de-rating scheme for future years on the lines suggested by Mr. P. Belton and Mr. D. Frame."

UNEMPLOYMENT.

NORTHERN IRELAND INSURANCE BILL.

On the order for the second reading of the Unemployment Insurance (Northern Ireland Agreement) Bill in the House of Commons yesterday,

Mr. Pethick Lawrence (Labour, Leicestershire) moved an amendment to the effect that, while willing to render financial assistance to meet the deficit in the Unemployment Insurance Fund in Northern Ireland in order to safeguard the rights of unemployed insured persons, the House "cannot assent to a bill which would establish permanently an unfair differentiation in the methods of dealing with the respective deficits in the Unemployment Insurance Funds of this country and of Northern Ireland." He complained that the financial assistance to be given was not in the nature of a loan, but was to take the form of a free grant in perpetuity. He characterised the transaction as "a conspiracy between two Tory Governments." It was "a dole to the Ulster Government."

Captain Charles Craig (County Antrim) said that all that the Government of Northern Ireland asked was that a mistake committed in not making insurance a reserved service, should be as far as possible rectified.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald (Labour, Aberavon) asked why the bill was necessary now, though the agreement did not expire till next March? The dying gifts of this Government, he said, are really getting a nuisance, and he asked if the Government was considering the re-amalgamation of the two countries.

Mr. A. M. Samuel, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said that there was no question of re-amalgamation. The bill was introduced early, in order that the necessary arrangements could be made by the Government of Northern Ireland within the financial year. Referring to a suggestion that he had a "Treasury mind," Mr. Samuel said that thirty years in business had given him the ordinary, average business mind, looking at business things in a business way. It was the Opposition which would not face the facts, except for Mr. Wheatley and Mr. Buchanan. (Laughter.)

Mr. J. Beckett (Labour, Gateshead)—The best company you ever found yourself in. (Laughter.)

The amendment was rejected by 124 votes to 38, and the House agreed to the second reading.

ANGLO-IRISH POETRY.

GAELIC INFLUENCE.

Mrs. Katharine Tynan Hinkson, the eminent Irish authoress and poetess, read a paper on "The Influence of the Gaelic on Anglo-Irish Poetry" before the members of the College Gaelic Society in the Graduates' Memorial Building in Trinity College, Dublin, yesterday afternoon. Mr. W. Kennedy, F.,T.C.D., was in the chair.

Mrs. Hinkson referred at the outset to the fact that the distinguishing characteristics of a people were inbred in each nation, and would always remain. The many English and the Scotch settlers in Ireland brought but little of their national individuality into the country in which they settled, and so the national mode of expression, of which poetry was the finest form, had always been in Ireland totally different to that of other countries.

Although the original poetry was in Gaelic, a band of translators, some of them Anglo-Irish, gave a new and beautiful element to the translations, which were sometimes better than the original.

Edward Walsh, Callanan, Mangan, Hyde, George Fox and George Ogle were some of the Anglo-Irish forerunners who captured the Gaelic music and set it to English verse at the time when the stilted classicalism of English poetry was the vogue.

This Irish poetry, consisting mainly of love songs—if not the love between man and woman, then the love for Ireland, imagined as a beautiful woman—was mellifluous, simple and passionate, always with a wild note in it, sensuous but not sensual.

Having dealt with the Jacobite poetry and with Moore, Aubrey de Vere, Allingham and Ferguson, Mrs. Hinkson said that the middle of the nineteenth century brought to Ireland a very English and complentative school of poetry which was better suited to a more deliberate nation.

Side by side with this school struggled the pan-Celtic Society, which was afterwards submerged by the movement of which Yeats was the leader and in which "A. E." was also a discoverer.

These two, and the poets who followed them, Seumas O'Sullivan, Padraic Colum, Joseph Campbell and others, were responsible for the Anglo-Irish poetry, founded on Gaelic tradition, which was a precious thing that would keep Ireland's place as a separate nation amongst the nations of the world.

Professor W. F. Trench proposed a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Mr. Henry, F.,T.C.D.

The Very Rev. T. W. O'Ryan, Miss Nora Watson, Messrs. C. W. C. Quin and G. E. Gill also spoke.

Amongst those present were: Dr. Alice Barry, Mrs. Hester Piatt, Miss Conroy, Miss Louise Kelly, Mr. J. M. Hone.

DEARER BREAD IN BELFAST.

The Belfast Master Bakers' Association announces that on and from Monday next the price of bread in Belfast will be advanced to 4½d. per 2lb. loaf retail.

HIBERNIAN BANK CLERKSHIPS. At last exam., October, 1928. Students of SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 Stephen's Green, gained 7 of the 12 Appointments.—(Advt.)

WOOLLEN TAX FOR 10 YEARS.

MAY BE DROPPED AFTER THAT TIME.

COMMISSION'S REPORT ON THE PROSPECTS.

That in the coming financial year approximately £150,000 will accrue to the Free State Exchequer from the new tariff on woollens and worsteds and the modified duty on wearing apparel, is the opinion of the Tariff Commission, according to the report which it presented recently to the Free State Executive Council, and which is now published.

In subsequent years, the report states, the duty accruing is likely to fall in proportion as the Free State woollen industry secures a greater share of the home market, and it is added that "ultimately the annual yield from the new duty is likely to be much reduced, tending to become confined to the duty paid on cloths of a luxury character, on specialities not manufactured in the Free State, and on low-priced cloths immediately above the exemption limit."

WOOLLEN MILLS' FUTURE.

As to the prospects created for the woollen industry by the new tariff, the Commissioners observe:—

The effect of the tariff which we recommend should be to enable the Saorstat manufacturers to re-establish themselves in the home market and to recover at least the proportion of the trade which they formerly held. The fact that the industry has lost ground in recent years is to be attributed largely to circumstances arising from the Great War and the period of disturbance following it in this country. At the present time a substantial export trade is being maintained with fair success.

By reason of the experience of the managements, the skill of the workers and the efficiency of the equipment, the mills are ready to take advantage of any protection now afforded them. The problem, therefore, is not the building up of a new industry, but the fostering of an industry already soundly established. All the industry seems to require for restoration to its former dimensions appears to be a period of protection long enough to make it once more the normal source for the supply of cloths of medium and heavier weights to consumers in this country. We consider that the prospect of protection for ten years would give adequate assurance as to the stability of the industry, encourage the investment of capital, enable manufacturing costs to be reduced, and result in the development of good marketing methods and of satisfactory relations between the manufacturers and the wholesale and retail houses. At the end of the period the industry should be in a strong enough position to maintain itself against competitors without the aid of a tariff.

MARKETING FAILURE.

The Commission made an exhaustive survey of the position of the woollen industry in the Free State, and its analysis of the present conditions is most informative. Some extracts from its report follow below:—

"On the question of the efficiency of the mills in the Saorstat, while there is naturally some disparity between the standards of the individual mills, we are of opinion that in most cases their lay-out, equipment, management and manufacturing and marketing methods are satisfactory, and that on the whole they are reasonably efficient.

"The relations between the wholesale distributing agencies and the manufacturers do not seem to us to be of a satisfactory nature, but we are unable to fix the responsibility for this state of affairs."

In the Free State there has been little, if any, specialisation on the worsted industry.

As to the sales organisation, "the mills marketing exclusively through wholesale houses represent the great bulk of the Saorstat production, and we have concluded that for woollen and worsted manufacturers this is an efficient method of marketing their goods.

"We feel there is little justification for the objection of some manufacturers to the use of reclaimed wool because of the injury which the reputation of their products might suffer if it were known that they used other than virgin wool.

"We cannot say that the number of mills will be increased by the new tariff . . . but the tariff will, however, encourage the owners of the mills now closed to re-open and resume production; and the mills open, but working short time, should soon find themselves working to capacity.

"The tariff should make it possible for the mills to work with greater economy by purchasing wool and other raw materials on more favourable terms, and by lowering the cost of production.

"The wholesale houses will have to adapt themselves to the new conditions which the tariff will bring about; they may experience some inconvenience at first, but this is inevitable at a time of transition.

"The increase in the duty on wearing apparel should prevent the making-up trades from suffering any loss because of the new tariff.

INTERESTS TO BENEFIT.

"Interests that should benefit indirectly from the new tariff are manufacture of twine and canvas, carting; transport and various distributive trades; indeed, prosperity in the woollen mills should improve conditions in every area in which a mill is situated, and have a beneficial effect on any other trades and industries carried on there."

The report is signed by the three Commissioners—Mr. McElligott, Dr. Hinchcliff, and Professor Whelehan—but there is an addendum by the last-mentioned in which he says:—

"I would not contemplate in recommending protection for the industry that those engaged on the production of piece goods from imported yarns should continue to enjoy indefinitely a measure of protection equal to that enjoyed by those who manufacture, not alone the piece goods, but the yarns from which they are woven. To do so would, in my opinion, result in a tendency, already apparent in some of the mills, to concentrate on the weaving end of the industry at the expense of the spinning end, a tendency which would receive an impetus from any advantage which the purchase of foreign-made yarns might offer, and which would result in loss of employment to citizens of the Saorstát."

OBITUARY.

LADY DE HORSEY.

The death took place yesterday at Melcombe House, Cowes, Isle of Wight, of Lady de Horsey, widow of Admiral Sir Algernon de Horsey, who died in 1922. Lady de Horsey, who was 93 years of age, was a clever artist and etcher, and by sales of her handiwork raised sufficient funds to build Holy Trinity Parish Hall and Sunday School at Cowes. She was a daughter of Admiral Andrew Drew and mother of Admiral Spencer de Horsey, of Canford Cliffs, Dorset, who was severely wounded when serving with the Naval Brigade in the South African War.

THE REV. WILLIAM RICHARDSON

The death took place on Thursday, at his residence, Springfield, Five Alleys, Birr, King's County, of the Rev. William Richardson, in his 87th year. Mr. Richardson was educated at St. Bee's College, and at Trinity College, Dublin, and was ordained in 1870. He was appointed to the curacy of Connor in the same year, and afterwards was curate of the Parish of Grave, Berkshire. In 1875 he was appointed to Everscreech, Somerset, where he remained for two years, going then to the Parish of Cobridge, Staffordshire. Afterwards he was appointed rector of the Parish of Lorrha, in the Diocese of Killaloe, where he remained until 1914, when he retired.

THE REV. DR. WILLIAM EDWARDS.

The Rev. Dr. William Edwards, Principal of the South Wales Bantist College, died at Cardiff, in his eighty-first year, yesterday. Dr. Edwards studied at Pontypool Theological College, and at Bezent's Park College, London, and was the first Welsh Bantist to graduate at London University. In 1905 he was elected President of the Bantist Union of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Welsh Baptist Union. Dr. Edwards had spent nearly thirty years in producing a four-volume revised Welsh translation of the New Testament, with historical notes.

U.S. MARKETS.

MANY NEW HIGH LEVELS IN STOCKS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Friday.

The Stock Market opened strong, one of the largest accumulations of overnight buying greeting the opening. Scores of issues advanced from 3 to 25 points, many to new high levels. This bullish demonstration was apparently a continuation of "the Hoover pre-inaugural rally," which started in the late re-discount rate helped general bullish enthusiasm, while heavy buying of investment Railroads gave a strong foundation to the advance. United States Steel Common sold at 193½, after its early heaviness. Coppers. Utilities and Electrical issues were amongst the outstanding groups, in which advances ranged from 5 points and upwards. Adams Express soared 25 points, Radio Corporation reached 415, but later reacted to 405, while Rossia Insurance, Midland Steel Products Preferred and American Railway Express rose 12 to 15 points. Goodyear Tire, Case Threshing Machine, Wright Aero, Anaconda Copper, Industrial Rayon and Commonwealth Power advanced 7 to 10 points, and Pere Marquette, St. Louis South Western, Baltimore and Ohio, Union Pacific, New York Central and Hudson River, and Canadian Pacific 5 to 8 points. The close was strong. Government Bonds firm. Railroad Bonds firm. The day's sales totalled 6,015,000 shares. Money on call closed easy at 8½ per cent. asked and 8 per cent. bid. All business during the day was done at 8 per cent. Sterling exchange steady. Silver declined ½c. to 56½c.

	Fri.	Thur.
Call Money	8p. 8¼a	10p. 10¼a
Exchange on Lon.—60 days sight	4.80⅛	4.80⅛
Do. do. Demand Bills...	4.84⅛	4.84⅞
Cable Transfers	4.85⅛	4.85¼
Do. Montreal	4.87⅜	4.87⅛
Exchange Paris cable	3.90⅝	3.90¾

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Fri.	Thur.
209⅞	Atchison, Topeka, Santa Fe	203¼	202½
108⅛	Do. Preferred	103¼	103¼
135⅝	Baltimore and Ohio	123	123
26⅜	Canadian Pacific	25⅝	25⅛
38⅞	Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul	37¾	36⅝
93⅞	Chicago and North West	91¼	90½
78⅜	Erie Shares	74½	70¼
65⅝	Erie 1st Prefer

FURTHER SEA DAMAGE IN WICKLOW.

On Thursday last three of the gigantic "Southampton" flying boats of the Royal Air Force left Calshot for Basra, where they are to do duty for two years. Our picture shows one of the huge machines being tuned up before the start of the journey, which is expected to take a fortnight.

The jumper of this spring creation is of lemon crepe-de-chine, with plaid spots and a bow at the low neck. A tailored coatee matches the pleated skirt, and a hat of blue felt completes the ensemble.

Lady Haig shaking hands with ex-Service men, who formed the British Legion guard of honour during her visit to Ennis, County Clare.

The storms and heavy seas of the past fortnight have left their mark on the breast works and promenade at the Merrough, in Wicklow. Our photograph, taken yesterday, shows the gap in the wall, where the sea at high tide penetrated into the premises of the Southern Railways Company.

Master John Perse, son of the Master of the Limerick Hounds, photographed at a recent Meet of his father's pack.

Mrs. Katharine Tynan Hinkson lectured on the "Influence of Gaelic on Anglo-Irish Poetry" at the Trinity College Gaelic Society Meeting, in the Graduates' Memorial Hall, Trinity College, Dublin, yesterday. Our photograph shows Mr. George McCann, the Rev. T. W. O'Ryan, P.P.; Miss Kavanagh, Mr. J. M. Henry, F.,T.O.D.; Miss Pearson, Mrs. Hinkson, Miss Pamela Hinkson and Mr. Kennedy, Registrar of the College.

The Munster goalkeeper clears from an Ulster attack. An incident in the Junior Interprovincial Ladies' Hockey Match, played at Sandymount, Dublin, yesterday.

J. Dore kicks to touch in the Munster Senior Schools' Cup Match, played between St. Flannan's College, Ennis, and Mungret College, Limerick.

DISTRICT NURSES IN IRELAND.

THE PENSIONS FUND.

The Hon. Mrs. Barry, in the absence of the president, Lady Kenmare, presided at the meeting of the Queen's Institute of District Nursing in Ireland, held in the Royal College of Physicians, Kildare street, Dublin, on Thursday.

There was a large attendance, including Mrs. Sterling, wife of the United States Minister.

In opening the proceedings the chairman said that Lady Kenmare had been in London, where she was organising for funds for the Queen's Institute of Nursing, included in which was a large whist drive, for which she understood the Princess Mary, Viscountess Lascelles, had given a prize.

Mr. Telford, Treasurer, submitted the statement of accounts, and intimated that the Endowment Fund receipts amounted to £4,014 13s. 8d., and the Revenue Account £2,679 4s. 1d.

The report of the Irish Executive Committee for the year ending 31st December, 1928, stated: Our friends will notice that our name is changed. A revised charter, duly approved by His Majesty, was received by the Institute, and henceforth we will be known as The Queen's Institute of District Nursing in Ireland.

The Long Service Fund for nurses working in Ireland, for which the nucleus was formed by one moiety of the sum collected as the Queen Alexandra Memorial Fund, has engaged the whole-hearted attention of the Executive Committee during 1928. The President, Lady Kenmare, sent a letter to the Committee of each affiliated association asking their help, and the response is decidedly encouraging, showing, as it does, in a practical manner that the services rendered by those pioneer nurses is recognised and appreciated. The Amusement Committee, which has during the past four years secured the greater part of the Endowment Fund (£33,000), instead of enjoying a well earned rest, thoroughly deserved, faced this task, and immediately began to find fresh ways and means of raising money for the Nurses' Fension Fund, and, to date, County Dublin leads with a sum of over £600. County Waterford has sent in £466, County Meath £205, and nearly every county has done something in addition to many plans for 1929. Donations received from personal friends amount to nearly £100. Many money-making arrangements are made for raising the necessary sum before the end of 1929, so that annuities will actually become payable in 1930, as in England.

The work is steadily increasing, and in many districts special efforts are being made locally to raise money in order to have a nurse in residence before next winter. The nurses working within Ireland have attended the following patients:—Medical and surgical cases, 27,809; midwifery and obstetric cases, 1,496; patients suffering from tuberculosis, 12,051; mothers and children under the Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme, 54,786; attendances at medical inspections in schools, 415; number of school-children examined, 7,626; school-children nursed at their own homes, 6,688. Grand total number of visits paid, 868,724.

Captain Ronald Nutting, M.C., moved the adoption of the report, and in the course of his remarks said that the Queen's Nurses were required to take a kind of special post-graduate course in their work. There were only 200 of such nurses in Ireland in the Institute. There ought to be double that number.

Dr. Lombard Murphy seconded the adoption of the report. He referred to the excellent work which the nurses did, and the hard tasks which they performed with loyalty, good heart, and spirit, for the poor. He claimed that in the economic sphere nurses saved public money right and left, for districts, for the counties, and for the State. Sickness in the people was uneconomic—it lost money. Improvement in the health of the people was a first class, gilt-edged security. Dr. Murphy concluded by an earnest appeal for support for the nurses, whom, he said, it would be impossible to reward adequately.

The report was unanimously passed

The report of the Amusements Committee was moved by Lady Frederick Moore, and was passed with acclamation.

Mrs. Young, Galgorm Castle, Co. Antrim, moved—"That the work of the Institute is worthy of support."

Sir John Lumsden, K.B.E., seconded the resolution, and said that the people of Dublin and Ireland were very charitably disposed, and they had a great number of charities to support, although relatively poor. He, personally, felt that the outstanding organising institutions that deserved support from every one were the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the District Nurses. (Hear, hear.) The average person had no idea of the amount of good they did; they got right into the hearts and the homes of the poor. The nurses in his opinion had in many instances shown positive heroism in the way of they carried out their duties.

The resolution was carried.

THE KING'S ILLNESS.

At the Chairman's suggestion, the following resolution was passed:—"That this meeting desires to express its loyal and respectful sympathy with Her Majesty the Queen in the trying and anxious time that she has passed through during His Majesty the King's long and grave illness, and they rejoice that His Majesty is now making rapid progress towards convalescence."

Mrs. Plunket moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Sterling for attending and for the help she had given to the Institute's work.

Dr. Cecy Bigger supported, and made an appeal for funds for the Nurses' Pensions Funds.

A vote of thanks to the speakers, to the Royal College of Physicians, and to the Press was proposed by Mrs. Leonard, and seconded by Sir Frederick Moore, and passed.

THE REST FOR THE DYING.

HOW IT WAS FOUNDED 25 YEARS AGO.

Bishop Plunket, D.D., presided on Thursday at the twenty-fifth annual general meeting of the Rest for the Dying, Camden row, Dublin.

The honorary secretary, Mr. George H. Sparkes, read the annual report of the committee, which stated that the institution continued to carry on the object for which it was founded, and the number of those admitted was much the same as in previous years.

The Chairman said that he was able to carry back his mind to twenty-five years ago, when Canon Mahaffy and himself and a few other clergy were summoned to the Palace by the late Archbishop Peacocke, who read to them a letter from Colonel Trench, intimating that he was placing in the hands of the Archbishop a considerable amount of money to be expended in Dublin for charitable purposes in connection with the Church of Ireland. There were a great number of suggestions made as to what charities should benefit, and Canon Mahaffy urged most strongly that the place which should be in the forefront was one where Protestant poor could end their days of suffering from illness. The suggestion met with the approval of the Archbishop, and that was the origin of the Rest for the Dying.

The Chairman then referred to the fact that the committee proposed to place a sum of money aside towards the nurses' fund for pensions, and said that the step taken was wise one.

The adoption of the annual report was proposed by the Rev. Robert Northridge, B.D., and seconded by the Rev. T Byers, M.A., and was passed.

The Rev. John England proposed, and Dr. W. G. Harvey seconded, a resolution, "That the Rest is worthy of the generous support of Protestants of all denominations," which also was passed unanimously.

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

At the quarterly meeting of the Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland, held in Belfast last Wednesday, reference was made to the death of Mr. W. H. Woodworth, F.C.A., Dublin, who had been a member of the Council for many years, and a resolution of sympathy with the widow and family was passed.

The resignation of Mr. John Mackie, F.C.A. (past President), Dublin, from membership of the Council, owing to his departure to reside in London, was accepted with regret, and a resolution of good wishes for the future was passed.

Mr. Robert Rowan Crawford, of 5 Bedford street, Belfast, was admitted to Fellowship. Messrs. Sydney Harold Lanzhlin, Belfast, and Robert Grier McHugh, Dublin, were admitted associates in practice. Messrs. Charles Stewart Barrett, Gerald Bernard Beirne, Dublin; James Alexander Glenn, Belfast; George Golding, Dublin; Thomas John McAfee, Belfast; Eamonn Tomas McCarron, Dublin; Reginald George Newman, Belfast, and Dermot Leo Shortall, Dublin, were admitted associates not in practice.

The next half-yearly examinations will be held concurrently in Belfast and Dublin on the 14th to 17th May, inclusive.

The jumble sale organised by the Cashel District Nursing Association realised £44 13s. 3d.

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NAAS.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

With upwards of seventy horses under orders to meet their engagements, the prospects for to-day at Naas are most promising. The meeting may be said to mark the end of the "off" season and the beginning of a new campaign, and the opportunity thus afforded racegoers of renewing acquaintance with their favourite sport will, no doubt, be largely availed of. The splendid entry obtained for the fixture indicates that there is no scarcity of jumpers in the country, and it is satisfactory to find such a strong representation in the maiden steeplechase and the maiden hurdle race. It is certainly an attractive programme, and the proceedings promise to be very interesting. A special train leaves Kingsbridge at 2 o'clock and returns at 5.20 p.m. Selections:—

Robertstown Plate—**Nell Gwynne.**

Kildare Plate—**Mustard Club**; if absent, **Reilly.**

Osberstown Plate—**Duratoi.**

Naas Plate—**Prudent Town**; if absent, **Partoi.**

Halverstown Plate—**Innisfail.**

3.0—**ROBERTSTOWN PLATE** of 50 sovs. A handicap hurdle race. 1½ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
KILDARRA BOY (Mrs. M. Dawson) ... Dawson a	12	7	
PRIORY WOOD (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) ... Arnott	6	12	7
TIRANOGUE (Mr. W. W. Ashe) ... Owner a	11	12	
SUN FLAME (Mr. M. Arnott) ... Owner a	11	11	
MINNETONKA (Mr. J. Sheil) ... Doyle a	11	7	
SOUVENANCE (Mr. G. Beebe) ... Arnott a	11	4	
AVERAGE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ... Owner	5	11	4
LAUDAMUS (Mr. E. J. Kieran) ... Arnott	6	11	2
GOLDEN BALL (Mr. A. Lowry) ... Dawson a	11	1	
GAMEFELLOW (Mr. J. J. O'Donoghue) ... Cunningham	6	11	0
BATTLE BRIDGE (Mr. John Doyle) ... Owner	5	11	0
JURAT (Mr. A. Lowry) ... Dawson a	10	12	
NELL GWYNNE (Mr. J. Hunter) ... Owner	5	10	5
LONG TRECK (Mr. C. Blackmore) ... J. Kirwan	6	10	8
DOUANIER (Mr. A. J. McNamara) ... H. Harty	5	10	8
NIDLOG (Mr. F. Burke) ... Collins	5	10	7
KOSCIE'S STAR (Mr. H. C. McNally) ... Staunton	4	10	7
GOOD THING (Mr. C. Blackmore) ... J. Kirwan a	10	5	
LORD BURDON (Mr. C. Fagan) ... Brooks a	10	3	
WILD NANCY (Mr. P. J. Heane) ... J. Kirwan	6	10	2
SPARE TIME (Mr. A. Lowry) ... Dawson a	10	0	
HYSTERICS (Mr. J. P. O'Donnell) ... Owner a	9	10	
BANTAM (Mr. J. T. Wilson) ... Downes a	9	7	
GROSVENOR HAPPY BOY (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ... Owner a	9	7	
MAIRN BEAG (Mr. J. Carrell) ... J. Kirwan	4	9	7

3.30—**KILDARE MAIDEN HURDLE PLATE** of 75 sovs.; second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. Weight-for-age, cse. 1½ m.

	Age	st.	lb.
GRAY'S PAGE (Mr. G. Manning) ... Moss	6	11	7
ERIN'S MAID (Mrs. R. C. Rose) ... Usher a	11	7	
CLOONADOCK (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) ... Arnott	6	11	7
TONY BOY (Mr. C. Odlum) ... Lyons	6	11	7
SKIDAW (Mr. W. P. Gill) ... Geraghty	6	11	7
VIXEN'S CHARM (Mr. W. Jackson) ... Dawson	5	11	5
TAN GIRL (Mrs. Norman Noble) ... Rattle	5	11	5
MUSTARD CLUB (Mr. F. Burke) ... Collins	4	10	7
ROCKABILL (Mr. R. C. Dawson) ... Usher	4	10	7
BACHELOR'S BRIDE (Mr. J. H. de Bromhead) ... Owner	5	10	7
NORTHERN DENNIS (Mr. J. P. Dowse) ... J. Kirwan	5	10	7
PRINCESS ARGOSY (Mr. J. A. Farrell) ... Arnott	4	10	7
SHIRLEY BELLE (Mr. G. H. Jackson) ... Owner	4	10	7
WELSH STAR (Mr. N. Sikes) ... Owner	6	10	7
ANOTHER CRAFT (Mr. W. G. Woods) ... J. Kirwan	4	10	7
STILL EAGER (Mr. J. M'Guirk) ... Owner	5	10	7
XENIA (Mr. J. Leech) ... Arnott	4	10	7
ORLANDO PORT (Mr. M. Lowry) ... Brabazon	5	10	7
ST. SYLVESTRE (Mr. J. Parkinson) ... Owner	5	10	7
ATLANTIC FLIER (Mr. J. Adams) ... Brooks	4	10	2
TOMORLAH (Mr. W. W. Ashe) ... Owner	4	10	2
ORRELL (Mr. M. Dawson) ... Dawson	4	10	2
BRILLT (Mr. P. J. Murphy) ... Doyle	4	10	2
COOLEBAR (Mr. M. Gill) ... Owner	4	10	2
PRUDENT ROSE (Mr. E. J. Hope) ... Dawson	4	10	2
YOUNG RICHARD (Mr. P. Lynch) ... Carey	4	10	2
WAIT AND SEE (Mr. E. S. O'Grady) ... Owner	4	10	2

4.0—**OSBERSTOWN STEEPLECHASE** of 50 sovs. A handicap. 3 m. 76 yds.

	Age	st.	lb.
SILPHO (Major Holliday) ... Arnott	a	12	7
KANOWNA (Lord Lascelles) ... Arnott	a	12	0
BALLYVINCARTY (Mr. A. Willis) ... Brabazon	a	11	12
GOLD LABEL (Mrs. A. Masters) ... Delmege	a	11	5
DURATOI (Mr. F. H. Walker) ... Owner	5	10	12
SOUTHERN WITCH (Sir G. Abercrombie) ... H. Hartigan	a	10	10
FAST FLIGHT (Mr. W. W. Ashe) ... Owner	5	10	7
CLEKO (Mr. F. S. O'Grady) ... Owner	a	10	4
PHILALICE (Mr. D. Murray) ... Owner	5	10	3
DONNYLANNA (Mr. J. Barry) ... Owner	5	10	3
FANMOND (Mr. G. P. Gilpin) ... Owner	6	10	1
NAMELESS LADY (Mr. T. Coffey) ... Owner	5	10	0
OLD LADY (Mr. H. Harty) ... M. Harty	5	10	0
ROYAL AMBUSH (Mr. H. Milner) ... H. Harty	a	10	0
GIPSY INA (Mr. P. O'Keeffe) ... Doyle	a	9	7
INGLEWOOD (Mrs. John Magee) ... Dawson	a	9	7
RAN RIGHT (Mr. J. Heffernan) ... Owner	a	9	7
RUSTLER II. (Mr. E. Kennedy) ... L. Byrne	a	9	7
ST. FAM (Mr. E. Delany) ... Owner	a	9	7

4.30—**NAAS PLEASURE STEEPLECHASE** of 75 sovs.; second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. Weight-for-age 2 m. 40 yds.

	Age	st.	lb.
PARTOI (Mr. L. F. Bell) ... Patherston	6	11	5
DIDNELL (Mr. J. P. Downey) ... J. Kirwan	6	11	5
MAY (Mr. C. Farrell) ... L. Byrne	6	11	5
EARL (Mr. P. J. Leonard) ... Owner	a	11	5
TOBY (Mr. A. M'Cann) ... Dawson	a	11	5
HONORA (Mr. H. C. McNally) ... Staunton	a	11	5
UNT (Mr. A. Monrad) ... Owner	6	11	5
HOLE (Capt. T. Martin) ... Gilsenan	6	11	5
VENIR (Mr. M. Walsh) ... J. Kirwan	6	11	5
ORD (Mr. O. Odlum) ... Owner	6	11	5
NT TOWN (Mr. E. J. Hope) ... Dawson	6	11	5
FOREST (Mr. T. Flood) ... Owner	6	11	5
HAN (Sir J. Goulding) ... Gilpin	5	11	5
VOOT (Mr. K. Cleary) ... Dawson	5	11	0
W (Mr. J. Cunningham) ... Cunningham	5	11	0
OF IVEAGH (Mr. E. Kennedy) ... Private	5	11	0
(Mrs. M. Dawson) ... Dawson	5	11	0
RIG (Sir T. Dixon) ... Private	5	11	0
WOODBRIDGE (Mr. P. Moore) ... Owner	5	11	0
EN'S SISTER (Mr. D. Murray) ... Owner	5	11	0
(Mr. T. J. Taaffe) ... Owner	5	11	0
(Mr. M. Arnott) ... Owner	4	10	0
APA (Mr. J. M. Griffin) ... Gleeson	4	10	0
(Mr. H. M. Hartigan) ... Owner	4	10	0
'S GEM (Mr. E. J. Hope) ... Brabazon	4	10	0
LADY (Mr. J. Laidlaw) ... Private	4	10	0
(Mr. J. Leech) ... Sleator	4	10	0
LE (Mr. R. H. Walker) ... Walker	4	10	0
HALVERSTOWN PLATE of 50 sovs. A flat race for maidens. Weight-for-age.			
GH HILLS (Mr. M. Cunningham) ... Owner	6	11	7
'S PET (Mr. D. M'Gonnaghan) ... Owner	6	11	7
WEAVER (Mr. M. Macabe) ... Arnott	6	11	7
(Mr. D. Dawson) ... Delmege	a	11	7
R VIXEN (Mr. J. Jackson) ... Fetherston	6	11	7
(Mr. L. Keating) ... Owner	a	11	7
(Sir T. Aylesworth) ... Arnott	a	11	7
(Sir T. Dixon) ... Owner	a	11	7
ORB (Mr. John Doyle) ... Owner	6	11	7
MAY (Mr. C. Farrell) ... Owner	6	11	7
ROCK FOREST (Mr. T. Flood) ... Owner	6	11	7
NEAMEAIN (Mr. J. Burke) ... Owner	5	11	5
IRISH ROSE (Mr. H. McAlinden) ... Usher	5	11	5
ROYAL CZAR (Mr. P. Rogers) ... Arnott	5	11	5
IRISH LAD (Mr. J. Cullen) ... O'Toole	5	11	5
AEDIE (Capt. T. J. Wilson) ... Sleator	5	11	5
ST. SYLVESTRE (Mr. J. Parkinson) ... Owner	5	11	5
REN VENTURE (Mr. J. Parkinson) ... Owner	5	11	5
BURNMILL (Mr. T. A. Byrne) ... C. Ryan	5	11	3
DOSE EAGER (Mrs. T. Coombs) ... Coombs	5	11	3
MAUREEN AHOON (Mr. E. Lloyd) ... H. Harty	5	11	3
ROY BLUE (Sir L. Goulding) ... Gilpin	5	11	3
SKY FRUIT (Mr. J. H. de Bromhead) ... Owner	5	11	3
SUNFORD (Capt. H. de Burgh) ... Owner	5	11	3
JOSEPHINE (Mrs. L. F. Delany) ... Owner	4	10	7
POOR PAPA (Mr. M. Grifin) ... Gleeson	4	10	7
PARNEY MOE (Mr. J. Grogan) ... Cleary	4	10	7
ROCKABILL (Mr. R. C. Dawson) ... Usher	4	10	7
SWIFT AGNES (Mr. A. Lowry) ... Dawson	4	10	7
BUCKA RANEE (Mr. J. Mangan) ... Owner	4	10	7
WAIT AND SEE (Mr. E. S. O'Grady) ... Owner	4	10	7
MESMERISE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) ... Owner	4	10	7
ZELDA (Mr. W. Robinson) ... Owner	4	10	7
BEN JOHNSON (Mr. C. A. Rogers) ... Owner	4	10	7
SHERALI (Mrs. N. Sikes) ... Owner	4	10	7

BALLYMACAD POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be Held MARCH 7th,
Instead of FEBRUARY 27th,
OWING TO SNOW ON THE GROUND.
Entries Close MONDAY, MARCH 4th, with
J. F. O'NEILL, Hon. Secretary.—(Advt.)

FINGAL HARRIERS'

POINT-TO-POINT MEETING.
At THE RATH, KILSALLAGHAN
(Midway between Swords and Ashbourne).
On MONDAY NEXT, 4th MARCH.
FIRST RACE, 1.30 p.m.
The direct route from Dublin is through Glasnevin Village by the Naul road to Rathbeale. —(Advt.)

STRABANE HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES,

THURSDAY, MARCH 14th, 1929,
AT CARRICKLEE.
Full particulars and Entry Forms from
A. SNODGRASS, M.R.C.V.S., Hon. Sec.
—(Advt.)

KILL HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be Held at DALYSTOWN,
Mid-way between Trim and Hill of Down,
On TUESDAY, 19th MARCH, 1929.
Six Races, four Open, including the Carrollstown Cup. Entries close MONDAY, 11th MARCH, with JOHN D. KELLETT, Hon. Sec., Bridgefort, Enfield, Co. Meath. Telegrams: Longwood, Meath. —(Advt.)

KILDARE HUNT SPORTSMAN'S RACES.

At ROOSKE FARM, WINDGATES,
by, of Maynooth, Straffan road,
On WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th,
6 RACES, including PUNCHESTOWN CUP (Open).
Entries CLOSE MARCH 16th with Colonel F. Blacker, Castlemartin, The Curragh, from whom all particulars may be obtained. —(Advt.)

SOUTH WESTMEATH HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT

Will be Held on
TUESDAY NEXT, MARCH 5th, 1929,
At KILKENNY WEST, 5 Miles from Athlone.
5 OPEN RACES.
Entries Close Saturday, March 2nd.
For particulars apply to
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KILKENNY HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be held near DUNMORE, on APRIL 5th,
Events:
HUNT RACE, 12 stone 7 lbs.
PUPPY WALKERS' CUP, 12 stone,
OPEN RACE, 12 stone.
FARMERS' RACE, 11 stone 7 lbs.
LADIES' OPEN RACE, 11 stone.
A. J. FOX (Captain), Hon. Secretary,
Dangan, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny.
—(Advt.)

GATWICK ABANDONED.

There is no indication of any immediate resumption of racing owing to the prolonged frost and the Gatwick meeting has had to be abandoned. Thirty-five days' programmes have now been abandoned this season, and there has been no racing in England since February 11th.

RETFORD IMPROBABLE.

TWENTY-ONE DEGREES OF FROST.

Twenty-one degrees of frost were registered on Friday night at Retford, and racing under National Hunt Rules there on Monday is regarded as practically impossible. The Stewards will meet at noon on Sunday to give a final decision.

SHIRLEY RACES DOUBTFUL

Racing at Shirley on Monday is doubtful. It would have been quite impossible to have races yesterday. A decision will be made on Sunday.

NATIONAL HUNT MEETING.

DAY-TO-DAY POSTPONEMENT IF NECESSARY.

In the event of the weather interfering with the opening of the important National Hunt meeting at Cheltenham on Tuesday of next week the fixture will be postponed from day to day until the full period of possible extension is covered. The rules allow of the meeting being postponed until the end of the week following. It is stated to be extremely unlikely that there will be fresh dates for the meeting if it cannot be held during the recognised period. Being controlled entirely by the National Hunt Committee all arrangements are at their own discretion. If new dates were arranged it would necessitate an entirely new entry for all races.

SPORTING GOSSIP

Stud News.

Amongst the brood mares visiting Soldennis at the Heath House Stud, Maryborough, is the king's Fairy Glen.

McColl Retains Boxing Title.

Steve McColl, of Aberdeen, retained his title as middle-weight champion of Scotland when he defeated Johnny Brown, of Hamilton, in the eleventh round of a twenty-round contest at Edinburgh last night.

Amateur Riders' Permits.

The Stewards of the Turf Club have given permission to Sir T. Ainsworth and Messrs C. Brabazon, L. Keating, P. J. Lenehan, F. J. Malone, R. Masterson, P. Sleator, jun., and M. T. Slough to ride under Rule 96 (i), Rules of Racing.

Death of M. Lenglen.

M. Charles Lenglen, the father of the famous lawn tennis player, who died at Nice yesterday from bronchial pneumonia, was another victim of the influenza epidemic. He had been ill for about nine days. M. Lenglen was seventy years old. His body will be taken to Paris for burial.

Newmarket Training Restricted.

There was a gradual thaw at Newmarket on Thursday, but it was followed by a severe frost during the night, and yesterday morning the work of the horses had again to be confined to the artificial tracks. Lord Lonsdale's Shire Handicap horses Portland, Mail Fist, Thackeray and Folnanan were given trotting exercise; Yosemite, Treasure Island and Tommy Atkins cantered, while Guards' Parade went a mile steadily.

Grotesque Goes to Bognor.

Sir Alfred Butt's Lincolnshire Handicap candidate, Grotesque, has left Stanley Wootton's stables at Epsom for Bognor to do work on the sands. He was accompanied by Frank Bare and the hurdle racer, Peertoi. Frank Bare's engagements include the Liverpool Spring Cup. Peertoi is engaged next week in the Champion Hurdle Challenge Cup at Cheltenham and in the Piccadilly Hurdle Race at Hurst Park. He is also in the valuable Imperial Cup to be run at Sandown Park on March 16th.

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COUNTY DOWN HUNTS' MEETING.

(DOWNPATRICK.)
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,
MARCH 6 AND 7.
ORDER OF RUNNING.
FIRST DAY.
Duffcella Plate ... 1 30 Downshire Plate... 3 15
Benburb Cup ... 2 15 Farmers' Plate ... 3 45
Downpatrick Plate 2 45
SECOND DAY.
Ulster Plate ... 1 20 Ballydugan Plate.. 3 6
Lecale Plate ... 2 0 Irunts' Cup ... 5 30
Iveagh Plate ... 2 30

CURRAGH TRAINING NOTES.

THE CURRAGH, Friday.

A bitterly cold and windy morning. The work done was of a hurried nature.

BELLINGLY, Bluford, Ardgo, Loughbrown, Cruet, and the two-year-olds cantered five furlongs.

BRABAZON'S Orange Pop, Ballyfinaghy, Leggacurry and the rest of the team were usefully employed.

BURNS' Lembury, Sir Crispin, Benanza, and the two-year-olds cantered five furlongs.

COMPTON'S Rosey Eager cantered six furlongs; Modern Girl, Bachelor's Thrush, Parado and Juva were usefully employed.

DAWSON'S Prudent Town, Prudent Rose, Melita, Spare Time, and Vixen's Charin cantered six furlongs; the rest of the team were usefully employed.

DOYLE'S Battle Bridge, Denis Orh, Hunticaca, Homeward, Reilly, Kildare's Pride, and the two-year-olds had several brisk canters.

FETHERSTONHAUGH'S Partoi and Ballybracken cantered six furlongs; Silver Threads, Miss Rita, and the remainder of the team cantered five furlongs.

GRUNDY'S Prosperity, Golden Monarch, and the two-year-olds had back-cantering and trotting exercise.

GLEESON'S Brighter Limerick and Bard of Thomond went a mile at a good pace.

HUNTER'S Nell Gwynne went a sharp five furlongs.

HARTIGAN'S Southern Witch and Sanders cantered six furlongs.

PERRY'S Blue Look Out, Dreamy Knight, and others of the team were usefully employed.

PARKINSON'S Average, St. Sylvestre, Mesmerise, Red Fruit, and Administrator cantered six furlongs.

ROGERS'S Songs of Eden, Monterey, Sparshott, Cavern, Flying Shelter, and the two-year-olds exercised on the roads.

STAUNTON'S Koscie's Star went a good five furlongs.

SELECTIONS FOR NAAS—TO-DAY.
Robertstown Hurdle—**KOSCIE'S STAR** or **NELL GWYNNE.**
Kildare Maiden Hurdle—**ORRELL.**
Osberstown Chase—**SOUTHERN WITCH.**
Naas Maiden Chase—**PRUDENT TOWN.**
Halverstown Plate—**ST. SYLVESTRE.**

FERMANAGH HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT RACES,

Held with the sanction of the National Hunt Committee (I.N.H.S. New Rules).
To be run over new Course at Dunbar,
Near Enniskillen,
EASTER MONDAY, 1st APRIL, 1929.
OPEN WELTER ABERCORN CUP, with £10 added. 13 stone.
LIGHT-WEIGHT CHALLENGE CUP, with £20 added. 11 stone 7 lbs.
SIX COUNTY CUP, NOVICE. 11 stone 7 lbs.
FERMANAGH HUNT CUP (Fermanagh, Seskinore and Strabane Harriers). 12 stone.
Further particulars can be supplied by
C. J. KERRIGAN, Hon. Sec., Enniskillen.
Entries Close 25th March. —(Advt.)

WESTMEATH HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES,

TUESDAY, MARCH 12th, 1929
(Over the Ardvahan Course—one mile from Mullingar.)
Entries for the BARBOUR CUP and all OTHER RACES close with the HON. SEC., C. V. PORTER, Mullingar, on THURSDAY NEXT, 7th MARCH.
(Catering by Lalor, Naas.)
—(Advt.)

WATERFORD HUNT POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will be held near
KILMACTHOMAS,
On THURSDAY, 14th MARCH.
Five Races, including Open Race, 12st. 7lb.
Open Ladies' Race (Perry Cup).
Entries close 5th March with
Particulars from MAJOR R. H. CAREW, Ballinamona Park, Waterford.—(Advt.)

HUNTING.

APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

March,	Meet.	Hour.
To-day	Kilfea	1.30
Wednesday, 6th	10-Mile Bush	1.30
Saturday, 9th	Donaghmore Cross-roads	1.30

THE KILDARE.

To-day	Courtown Gate	11.30
Tuesday, 5th	Ballymore-Eustace	11.30
Thursday, 7th	Dollardstown Gate	11.30
Saturday, 9th	Maynooth	11.30

THE MEATH.

Monday, 4th	Beau Parc	11.30
Tuesday, 5th	Kilmoon	11.30
Wednesday, 6th	Britfas	11.30
Friday, 8th	Moyglare	11.30

MEATH HOUNDS.—Change of Meets: Wednesday, 6th inst. (instead of Thursday, 7th), at Britfas; Friday, 8th, Moyglare (instead of Dunboyne).

SOUTH CO. DUBLIN HARRIERS.—These hounds will meet at the Third Lock, Inchicore, to-day at 3 o'clock.

TIPPERARY HOUNDS. — March—Monday, 4th, Moyglass; Friday, 8th, Knockeevan; Saturday, 9th, Lisnolin; Monday, 11th, Cloneen; Tuesday, 12th, Friar Abbey Cross; Wednesday, 13th, Point-to-Point, Lanespark; Saturday, 16th, Tetbard. At 11.30 a.m.

KILSHANE HOUNDS. — March—Monday, 4th, Ballyline; Friday, 8th, Ballyarron Bridge; Monday, 11th, Ardmayle; Thursday, 14th, Thomastown Gate; Tuesday, 19th, Hough Cross; Friday, 22nd, Ballyrafton Bridge; Monday, 25th, Ballysheehan, Wednesday, 27th, Point-to-Point; Friday, 29th Kilfeacle. At 11.30.

COOLATTIN HUNT.—Point-to-Point Races will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd, at Coolattin, near Shillelagh.

MEATH HOUNDS.

These hounds met yesterday at Dunsany Castle, and after drawing Dunsany, Hill of Glain and Swainstown blank, were rewarded with a find in Curtistown. This fox went away by the Meath railway line, parallel to which he ran for about a mile, and recrossing the line got as far as Knocktown, where hounds killed him after a fast seventeen minutes. Kilcarty did not hold, and a fox found in Galtrim got to ground near the covert. Going on to Trotter's, we were quickly away with a fox that led over the big "double" and pointed for Adamstown. He, however, turned sharp to the left, and leaving Lock Lodge on that hand was eventually marked in Knightsbrook. A second visit to Trotter's proved fruitless, and nothing more was done.

POINT-TO-POINT.

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HUNTING.—Reports from the various Packs, List of Appointments and Point-to-Point Fixtures appear each Saturday in "THE IRISH FIELD." On Sale at all Newsagents'.—(Advt.)

LONDON BETTING.

During the week wagering on the Lincolnshire Handicap has been noteworthy for the support accorded to Spinifex, Coventry Lad and Mooney. The first-named is now a decided favourite, all available bets at 100 to 8 being accepted, leaving 100 to 9 the best offer. Capture Him, who was unbacked at last Monday's call-over, has been supported down to 14 to 1. Miscon has advanced from 25 to 1 to 20 to 1.

Business on the Grand National has been comparatively quiet, a few horses only being noticed. Master Billie is nominal favourite at 12 to 1.

The card on both races will be issued at the Victoria Club at 12.30 on Monday next. Prices:—

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.
Run at Lincoln on Wednesday, March 20. One mile.

		Age.	st.	lb.
11 to 1	Scintillation ... Cottrill	4	9	6
14 to 1	Capture Him ... Hulme	4	8	12
14 to 1	Fohanunn ... Earl	6	8	2
16 to 1	Songe ... O. Bell	5	7	7
16 to 1	Unslogangus ... Woolton	6	7	7
20 to 1	Moscou ... Woolton	5	6	11
20 to 1	Orosmade ... France	4	7	8
20 to 1	Orbindos ... Gwilt	6	8	4
20 to 1	Bonnie Dundee ... Atkins	5	7	4
20 to 1	Leopardus ... France	4	7	4
25 to 1	Caporal ... Pratt	5	7	4
25 to 1	Irish Romance ... Tempest	4	7	1
25 to 1	Billet, jun. ... Hartigan	a	7	11
25 to 1	Thackeray ... Earl	4	7	1
25 to 1	Nesterius ... Carslake	4	6	3
28 to 1	Corporal Bill ... Gilbert	5	8	7
28 to 1	Norwest ... Nugent	4	7	1
28 to 1	Baytown ... Scobie	4	8	7
33 to 1	Grenfell ... O'Driscoll	4	7	12
33 to 1	Guards' Parade ... R. Dawson	4	7	4
33 to 1	Milford ... R. Dawson	4	7	4
33 to 1	Voltero ... Nightingall	4	6	12
33 to 1	Residue ... O. Anthony	5	7	1
40 to 1	and upwards any other.			

GRAND NATIONAL
Run at Liverpool on Friday, March 22.

		Age.	st.	lb.
12 to 1	Master Billie ... Whitaker	a	11	0
14 to 1	Great Span ... W. Payne	a	12	0
16 to 1	Music Hall ... Hastings	a	11	7
20 to 1	Easter Hero ... Anthony	a	12	7
20 to 1	Magudonne ... Anthony	a	11	3
20 to 1	Bright's Boy ... Coulthwaite	a	11	2
25 to 1	Shrun Prince ... Rimell	a	10	13
25 to 1	Koko ... Barratt	a	11	5
25 to 1	Carlyx ... Lynch	a	11	0
25 to 1	Lords ... Turner	a	11	0
25 to 1	Trump Card ... Renwick	a	11	12
25 to 1	Duke of Florence ... Rowland	a	11	0
33 to 1	Mount Etna ... T. Leader	a	11	7
33 to 1	Knight of the Wilderness ... Savill	a	11	7
33 to 1	Claydie ... Gore	a	11	7
33 to 1	Coyote ... Whitaker	a	11	10
33 to 1	Beech Martin ... Ruyson	a	10	7
33 to 1	Rathboen ... Payne	a	10	0
33 to 1	Tipperary Tim ... J. Jones	a	10	8
33 to 1	Wild Man ... James	a	10	8
33 to 1	Low Tide ... Coulthwaite	a	11	3
33 to 1	Ballystockart ... Martin	a	11	0
40 to 1	and upwards any other.			

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LAWN TENNIS.

BRITISH TOURISTS FARE BADLY.

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.
DURBAN, Friday.

The British lawn tennis touring team, composed of Dr. J. C. Gregory, H. W. Austin and I. G. Collins, began their first Test match against South Africa here to-day. They were defeated in all three singles matches played The match in which Robbins and Austin were opposed was strenuously contested. Each player had taken a set, and Austin led 6-5 in the third when he was compelled to retire. Scors:—

Condon (South Africa) beat Collins—6-4, 6-4.
Kirby (South Africa) beat Gregory—6-4, 6-3.
Robbins (South Africa) beat Austin, the latter retiring with the scores 4-6, 9-7, 5-6.

PLAY AT MONTE CARLO.

PRESS ASSOCIATION FOREIGN SPECIAL.
MONTE CARLO, Friday.

In the semi-finals of the Beaumont Cup in the lawn tennis championships here to-day Miss Betty Nuthall and Mrs. Covell beat Madame Lafaurie and the Marquise de Montebello 6-1, 3-6, 6-2, and Madame Mathieu and Mlle Barbier beat Miss Eileen Bennett and Miss Joan Fry 6-4, 0-6, 6-3.

I.L.T.A. COACHING SCHEME.

The lessons arranged for to-day and Monday next by the Leinster Council of the Irish Lawn Tennis Association have been cancelled.

THE DAVIS CUP.

NEW CHAIRMAN OF SELECTIONS COMMITTEE.

The United States Lawn Tennis Association announces the appointment of Mr. Fitz-Eugene Dixon, of Philadelphia, as Chairman of the Davis Cup Selections Committee for 1929. Mr. Dixon, a wealthy and prominent Philadelphian, has long been interested in athletics, and plays a good game of tennis himself.

In tennis circles Mr. Dixon's appointment is regarded as an injection of the right kind of new blood into the Association in preparation for the intensive drive which the Americans are contemplating this year in an attempt to wrest the Davis Cup from France. Mr. Dixon will share with Mr. J. S. Wear, also of Philadelphia, the Chairman of the Davis Cup Committee, the responsibility for recruiting the strongest possible American team.

RACKETS.

SCOTT CHAD WINS ARMY CHAMPIONSHIP.

G. N. Scott Chad (Coldstream Guards) regained the Army rackets singles championship at Prince's Hall, Knightsbridge, thereby repeating his success in 1926 and 1927. In the final he defeated Captain J. N. Cheney (King's Royal Rifle Corps) by three games to love—15-4, 15-11, 18-13. The greater severity of his strokes carried Scott Chad to victory, although he was extended in the last game, which went to vantage.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY HARRIERS.

To-day, Club Championships and Sealed Handicap. Start from Island Bridge at 2.30 p.m.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Epsom Derby Stakes and Doncaster St. Leger Stakes, 1930—Cruiser, at 9 a.m. yesterday.
United Hunts' Challenge Cup, National Hunt Meeting, Cheltenham—Tanius.

COURSING.

A LADIES' DAY AT THE NATIONAL MEETING.

DEBONAIRLY WINS THE BREEDERS' STAKE.

THE INTERNATIONAL CUP GOES TO ENGLAND.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

This season's National meeting at Powerstown Park will long be remembered by Irish coursing enthusiasts for the many surprises which were connected with it. To the end of the chapter we had them, and when the last round of the Breeders' Stake came on the struggle had resolved itself into a battle between two puppies owned by ladies—Mrs. Darcy's Debonarily and Mrs. Barry's Dick the Rover, the one hailing from Urlingford, in the County of Kilkenny, and the former from Fermoy. Victory went to Debonarily.

The International Cup turned out the good thing it looked for Editor's Book, which was nominated by Mr. Baxter, an English courser. He made a regular hack of everything he came up against, and, seeing that he is not a young dog, and that he is not ranked in the first flight of English greyhounds, his pronounced superiority was not flattering to the local opposition.

FIGARO'S "WATERLOO" PROSPECTS NOT ENHANCED.

With the Waterloo Cup in the immediate offing, exceptional interest was taken in the performance of the Irish Cup winner, Figaro, which, as I stated, would run at Altcar for Mr. Harte, win or lose here. He disposed of Hidden Maid readily enough, and went to slips with the Kingdom Cup winner, Knockhill. Odds of six to one were laid freely on Mr.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

MURDERED BRIDE CASE.

HUSBAND FOUND TO BE INSANE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

James Kerley, who had been charged with the murder of his newly-married wife at Tully, Corcreagh, Dundalk, on January 30 last, was found by a jury to be insane and not competent to plead. He was ordered to be kept in custody during the pleasure of the Governor-General.

Mr. Dudley White, K.C. (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), who represented the State, said that Kerley had been charged with the murder of his wife on the day of their marriage. The jury had to decide whether Kerley at the time understood his position or was a dangerous lunatic, and as such incapable of pleading or of instructing counsel for his defence. On the morning of January 30 he was married in Killanny Church. When on the way to the church with his "best man" he evidently changed his mind, for he returned home. Later he went to the bride's home, and by special arrangement with the priest he was married at 12 o'clock noon. Celebrations were held that night at the house of the bride's father. Kerley took away his wife, and on the next day she was found dead at their home. Members of the Civic Guard found Kerley with a gun in his hand.

Dr. B. Hackett, chief medical officer, Mountjoy Prison, described Kerley as a dangerous lunatic.

Without leaving the box the jury returned a verdict as stated.

Mr. P. J. O'Hagan, of Messrs. O'Hare and O'Hagan, Dundalk, appeared in Kerley's interest.

KILMALLOCK MURDER CHARGE.

Edmund Curtin (20), of Orr street, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick, pleaded "not guilty" to the murder of Eugene Ryan (8) at Kilmallock on September 15 of last year. The case is that the boy's body was found at the bank of a stream, and Curtin told the police that he had drowned the lad. The prisoner has since denied that he drowned the boy, and has adduced reasons for making the statement to the police.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. Dudley White, K.C. (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), prosecuted. Mr. James Cawley (instructed by Mr. Patrick D. O'Grady) defended.

Prosecuting counsel opened the case, and evidence was given. There were distressing scenes in court. During the cross-examination of Mrs. Curtin, the prisoner's mother, the witness began to scream and had to be taken out of court, a doctor who was present being asked by the judge to attend to her. The prisoner wept during the incident.

Mrs. Ryan, the mother of Eugene Ryan, while giving evidence wept almost continuously.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-day at 10.30 a.m.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

"GREEN SHUTTER."

FAR-REACHING ARGUMENTS IN REVENUE CASE.

(BEFORE MR. E. A. COLLINS, K.C.)

The hearing of the first of the ninety-two summonses against Mr. R. J. Duggan for alleged failure to pay duty on bets was resumed.

Mr. A. E. Wood, K.C., with whom were Mr. Fitzgerald, K.C., and Mr. Cecil Lavery, K.C. (instructed by Mr. P. H. O'Reilly), continuing his arguments for the defence, submitted that there was no evidence that a bet had been made; that there was no evidence that Mr. Duggan was a licensed bookmaker or a bookmaker operating on certified returns, and further contended that the race in which Green Shutter was alleged to have been did not take place at all. He stated that the bet on Green Shutter at Galway Races was called off by the backer before the race, and, therefore, taxable entity did not arise.

Mr. Collins—That raises an important point, because you are arguing that no bet is liable to duty until the horse starts in the race.

Mr. Wood said that the argument applied to all classes of bets, except ante-post betting.

Mr. Collins—Does it apply to office bets and course betting?

Mr. Wood—Certainly.

Mr. Collins—That raises a very big question.

Mr. Wood said that the bet was made before the horse started, and the horse might not have started at all. Therefore, the crucial time intended by the Act did not arrive.

Mr. Collins said that he believed that the Legislature intended that tax was to be paid on all bets, and could not involve itself in subtle distinctions.

Mr. Wood contended that there was no wagering contract in respect of any bet until the horse started.

Mr. Collins—That is a startling proposition.

Mr. Wood said that the only evidence in support of the charge that Mr. Duggan had failed to pay duty amounting to 10s. was made by Mr. Randell. If he were before a judge and jury in Green street, he believed he would get a direction from the judge for a verdict of not guilty. The only witness who had given any evidence of the amount was Mr. Randell.

The further hearing of the case was adjourned until next Monday.

The Revenue Commissioners were represented by Mr. T. S. McCann, K.C.; Mr. Charles Bewley, K.C., and Mr. E. J. Kelly (instructed by the Revenue Solicitor, Mr. B. Collins).

OBSTRUCTING A STRIKE PICKET.

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

A fine of 40s. or a month in jail was the sentence imposed on Christopher Eager, a motor driver, with no fixed address, who was charged by Guard 47 C with obstructing a strike picket.

The Guard stated that on Thursday night, when the picket was marching up and down outside the Mary street Picture House, the defendant got in front of it and interrupted its progress. Although witness cautioned him, Eager would not desist, and he was obliged to arrest him.

Eager denied obstructing the picket, and explained that he knew a couple of members of it, and was walking up and down talking to them. Even when he left the picket and stood on the footway, the Guard would not leave him in peace. (Laughter.)

Mr. Little—Where do you come from?

Defendant—Well, I was born in Kerry.

When going down to the cells after sentence had been imposed defendant shouted, "I will appeal against that decision."

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Diocesan Council of Dublin met on Thursday last, 28th ult. The Archbishop of Dublin presided, and the other members present were:—Archdeacon of Dublin, Precentor Lewis Crosby, Rev. A. E. Hughes, Dean of Christ Church, Canon Connell, Canon Chamberlain, Rev. D. H. Hall, Rev. E. G. Sullivan, Rev. E. J. Young, Mr. W. G. Wakely, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, Mr. A. D. Price, M.A.I., Mr. A. T. Barber, Mr. P. H. Grierson, Mr. C. St. G. Orpen, Right Hon. Lord Ardee, Right Hon. A. Jameson, Mr. J. M. Butler. The consent of the Council was given to a scale of burial fees for Tallaght burial-ground. The accounts of the Diocesan Hall (Baggotrath) Committee were submitted and ordered to be presented to the Synod when audited. Having transacted the remaining business, the Council adjourned until Thursday, the 28th inst.

BAPTIST CHAPEL, HARCOURT STREET.

The Rev. S. Gamman, of the Regions Beyond Missionary Society, is paying a special visit to Dublin, and will conduct to-morrow morning's Service at the Baptist Chapel, Harcourt street. In the evening, at the same place, Pastor Louis E. Deens will continue his series of special addresses on St. Mark's Gospel, his subject on this occasion being "The Unpardonable Sin."

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MOTOR TRADE AND TAXATION.

DEPUTATION TO MR. BLYTHE.

OMNIBUS OWNERS' CASE

A deputation from the Society of Irish Motor Traders, consisting of Mr. Seumas Moore, T.D. (Secretary of the Association); Mr. P. J. Lawrence, Mr. M. Huet, and Mr. Fitzpatrick, Secretary of the Fairways 'Bus Company, waited on the Free State Minister for Finance on Thursday in connection with the declared intention of the Government to impose a mileage tax on motor omnibuses operating in the Irish Free State.

THE 'BUS OWNERS.

The case presented by the deputation was that the 'bus companies at present operating began to trade with the direct consent of the Government. Their vehicles are licensed by the local and general authorities. The companies comply with the restrictions imposed by the Civic Guard, and furnish statistics demanded by the Department of Statistics. It was plain, therefore, they submitted, that the Government had regarded the 'bus concerns as legitimate trading interests in the country.

Prior to the establishment of public road services the transport requirements of the country were not, they contended, adequately supplied by the railways, and it was essential that the system should be completed as soon as practicable. As the railway and the tramway companies had not acted, the 'bus concerns, without public assistance, met the demand in a regular way to the profit of both the public and the State. They thus were fulfilling a very important function, and their usefulness was greatly appreciated by the public. They had enabled many people to transfer their residences from unhealthy urban surroundings to the country, and in other ways had been a great social benefit.

THE PROPOSED TAX.

The proposed mileage tax would, they said, inflict such grave injury on most of the concerns at present operating that few, if any, would be able to bear the blow. While the loss to the public was a matter for the public, the loss to legitimate traders in the country was a subject on which alarm was felt by the Society. Like most other trading concerns, the 'bus companies had operated on credit, and comparatively big sums were due to wholesale traders. It was incredible that the Government was indifferent to the consequences that would ensue to a number of creditors if the mileage tax were to have the effect that was seriously expected by all connected with the business.

EMPLOYMENT ENDANGERED.

As the Statistics Department had shown, and as was obvious from observation, there was a very substantial number of people employed in the 'bus business, at least half of whom were earning over £3 a week. It could not help the Government or the country if numbers of these men, as well as the 'bus proprietors, were forced into the ranks of the unemployed, along with the large numbers who were being dismissed from the railway services. The Society submitted that, unless it was desired to stop a great deal of road traffic, a mileage tax was the most unreasonable of all taxes. Routes differed: some routes could not support any tax. The present margin of profit on many such services was extremely small. It was only possible to continue them, in fact, by fine costing, and a mileage tax would completely stop a number of them.

Capital, skill and labour had been invested in those 'bus enterprises under conditions which would be radically altered by the imposition of the proposed tax. Opportunity for the withdrawal of capital, etc., should accompany the tax if imposed. The Society were satisfied that substantial benefits under a great many headings would accrue from unification and co-ordination of public services. Those headings would include:—

Protection of investment in all necessary Free State transport undertakings; protection of cheap transport facilities for the public by constructive elimination of waste in competition; development of tourist traffic; stabilisation of employment in road transport; economy of road usage; standardisation and reliability of road service; economy of business organisation; conditions of maximum safety to life and limb, now very necessary in face of an increasing general road traffic; continued ability to contribute necessary road taxes and income tax; the safeguarding of business integrity by making it possible for 'bus interests to discharge their financial obligations; better stabilisation of trade conditions generally, and the release of capital to other enterprises likely to be useful to the State.

A LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISE.

The Society submitted that since the Government itself had admitted that mechanical transport on the roads was a legitimate and useful enterprise, the time had arrive when the development and control of road services should be placed in a definite position; that the transport organisation of the country was urgently requested that the proposed mileage tax should not be proceeded with, and that much wider reforms should be prepared for submission to the Dail, so that if additional funds must be obtained for road maintenance, conditions would be established which would enable those funds to be collected without causing the destruction of many of the road services so taxed.

The Society of Motor Traders, Ltd., was prepared to offer every assistance in its power in connection with taxation proposals which, while achieving their purpose, would avoid such serious consequences to legitimate interests as were threatened by the plan outlined in the Vice-President's speech at Mallow.

THE MINISTER'S REPLY.

The deputation were received by Mr. Blythe, who was accompanied by Mr. McElligott and another official of the Department of Finance. It is understood that the Minister admitted that certain matters raised in the memorandum submitted were worthy of consideration, and they would have his attention, though he did not hold out any great hopes that he would alter his plans with regard to the proposed mileage tax.

THE LATEST 'BUS RETURNS.

	December.	Increase.
Vehicle miles ...	1,842,497 ...	93,592
Passengers	3,353,154 ...	498,033
Receipts	£58,701 ...	£4,170

LAW REPORTS.

IRISH DERBY OF 1927.

KNIGHT OF THE GRAIL'S VICTORY.

(BEFORE THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT.)

In the non-jury case of Young v. Broughton, the plaintiff residing at Barrack Lodge, Naas, Co. Kildare, and the defendant, Sir Delves Broughton, at Doddington Park, Nantwich, Cheshire, England.

Mr. Budd (instructed by Mr. Francis B. O'Toole) applied on behalf of the defendant for an order for discovery of documents. As stated in an affidavit by Mr. F. B. O'Toole, solicitor, Edenderry, the action was brought on plenary summons by the plaintiff to recover £600, alleged to be due by the defendant under a contract alleged to have been entered into by the defendant with the plaintiff to pay £600 for the engagement of the racehorse, Knight of the Grail, in the Irish Derby of 1927. It was alleged in the plaintiff's statement of claim that, by several telegrams and a letter passing between the defendant, through his agent, Ronald J. Farquharson, and the plaintiff, it was agreed that the defendant should buy from the plaintiff the engagement of the horse for the sum of £100 and an additional £500 if the horse won the Irish Derby mentioned. Mr. O'Toole was advised and believed that, for the preparation of the defendant's case and his defence in the action, the plaintiff should make discovery of all telegrams, letters and documents and copies of all such letters and documents in his possession or procurement touching the subject matter of the action.

Mr. Morgan Byrne (instructed by Messrs. William Mooney, and Son), for the plaintiff, said that a number of documents had passed between the parties with reference to the matter, and asked for a cross order on behalf of the plaintiff, remarking that the Knight of the Grail, pursuant to engagement, did run in the Irish Derby and won it.

The Master granted an order for discovery to both parties.

In the pleadings filed in the case the plaintiff, in his statement of claim, alleged that in June, 1927, several telegrams passed between the defendant, through his agent, Ronald J. Farquharson, and the plaintiff; and finally by a telegram, dated 10th July, 1927, the defendant offered to buy from the plaintiff the horse's engagements for £100 and £500 if he won the Irish Derby, which offer the plaintiff accepted by telegram and letter on the 10th of June, 1927; and the horse won the Irish Derby, run on the 22nd June. In the result, the defendant, he alleged, became indebted to him in the sum of £600, which he neglected and refused to pay.

The defence was a general denial of the alleged contract and the plaintiff's ownership of the Knight of the Grail and his being entitled to an engagement of the horse in the Irish Derby. He also denied the sale of the horse and his engagements to him, or that the plaintiff took any steps to hand over the horse's engagement in the Irish Derby to him. He alleged that prior to the action being brought the plaintiff submitted the matters in dispute in the action to the decision of the Stewards of the Turf Club, who duly decided upon the plaintiff's claim in accordance with the rules of racing and the orders of the Turf Club, their decision, he submitted, being final and conclusive.

TRALEE SOLICITOR'S ESTATE.

LODGMENT OF SECURITIES.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH.)

In the matter of the estate of John O'Connell, LL.D., solicitor, Tralee—Patrick O'Connor, plaintiff, and Mary Josephine O'Connor, defendant.

Mr. William Black (instructed by Messrs. Little, O hUadhaigh and Proud) applied for an order to bring into court stock certificates in the Niger Co., Ltd.; in the African and Eastern Trade Corporation, Ltd.; in Arthur Guinness, Son and Co., Ltd., and certain policies of insurance on the life of Bartholomew O'Connor and Patrick O'Shea, and also to lodge the title deeds of the office premises, Nelson street, Tralee, and the residence near Tralee, and for the immediate realisation of the premises, including the residence, and also for an order authorising the collection of costs, and particularly the costs of the action of Murphy v. Hurley, which went to the House of Lords, and fixing the occupation rent of Joseph C. Guihan for the office premises. Counsel moved on an affidavit of Mr. O hUadhaigh, to which Mr. Guihan replied.

Mr. Comyn, K.C., with whom was Mr. T. O'Donnell (instructed by Mr. J. C. Guihan), for the defendant, stated that his client was ready to lodge all the securities in her possession, consisting of the Niger Co. and the African Trading stock. In reference to the other securities, which were of a large amount, they had been deposited with the Provincial and National Banks, and a return would be furnished. As to the remainder of the application, counsel submitted that it was premature, inasmuch as there had been no certificate showing the assets of the deceased person, and that until the judge had decided, on further consideration, after the accounts had been vouched, what were the assets of John O'Connell, LL.D., deceased, no order for sale could be made. Counsel further stated that Mr. Guihan was unwilling to collect costs in the case of Murphy v. Hurley.

Mr. Justice Meredith made an order directing the stocks and shares which were in a definite account to be lodged in court. He authorised Mr. O hUadhaigh to collect the costs in the action of Murphy v. Hurley, and directed that an offer should be made to Mr. Guihan to continue business on the same terms as previously until the further consideration of the action. He made no order as to the sale of the premises or the realisation of the assets. The costs of both parties were allowed.

HOSPITAL EMPLOYES' SALARIES.

COUNTY COUNCIL'S APPEAL.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH AND MR. JUSTICE O'BYRNE.)

The hearing was resumed of the appeal by the defendants in the case of John Thisle, Thomas Simpson and Patrick McGuigan against the County Council of Monaghan and the County Council of Cavan, through the Joint Committee of Management of the Monaghan and Cavan District Mental Hospital, from a decision of Circuit Court Judge Devitt giving the plaintiffs decrees for sums claimed as arrears of salaries payable to them as employes in the mental hospital.

It appeared that the claims for arrears arose out of reductions in salaries made by the Joint Committee, which reductions, the plaintiffs claimed, the Committee were not entitled to make. Judge Devitt decided in favour of the plaintiffs, and the defendants appealed on the grounds that, as they alleged, the facts found by the Circuit Court judge were against the evidence and the weight of evidence; that on the evidence the plaintiffs were not entitled to the relief granted, and that the Circuit Court judge misdirected himself in law and in fact in holding that no notice was given to the plaintiffs by the defendants of a resolution passed on the 18th March, 1926, reducing the amount of the plaintiffs' salaries, and of a further resolution passed subsequently confirming the first-mentioned resolution and specifying the date from which the reduction should take place; in holding that the plaintiffs had not received due notice of the reduction; in holding that notice of the resolution to the plaintiffs was necessary in order to enable the defendants to reduce the salaries; in holding that the defendants had no statutory power to reduce them; in holding that the contract of service existing between the defendants and the plaintiffs was not terminated before or at the time of the imposition of the reduction, and in holding that the plaintiffs did not assent to the reduction or accept it.

Mr. Martin Maguire, K.C., Mr. Lavery, K.C., and Mr. McGonigle (instructed by Messrs. Lardner and Co.) appeared for the appellants; defendants; and Mr. Geoghegan, K.C., and Mr. McGuckin (instructed by Mr. Joseph Gleeson) for the respondents, plaintiffs.

At the conclusion of the arguments,

The Court came to the conclusion that additional evidence would be necessary on the question of the actual deduction made from the plaintiffs' salary in 1914, and of any increases payable to the plaintiffs since then; and directed that an affidavit should be filed by the Joint Committee giving this additional information.

Other cases of a similar nature against other County Councils were adjourned pending the result of this appeal.

LIMERICK FARMER'S WILL.

AGREEMENT REACHED.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN.)

An action was listed for hearing in which Martin Hartigan, a farmer, of Belview, Croom, Co. Limerick, sought, as executor, to establish the last will, dated 17th July, 1919, of Martin W. Carroll, late of Fort, Co. Limerick, farmer, who died on the 10th May, 1928, and a codicil dated 14th September, 1927. The will was contested on the three usual statutory grounds by Margaret Shanahan and Jenny Mee, of Youghal.

Mr. M. J. Ryan, who, with Mr. Wood, K.C., and Mr. Joseph O'Connor, K.C. (instructed by Mr. John L. Keane, Youghal), appeared for the defendants, announced that an agreement between the parties had been reached, and the result was that all opposition to the proof of the will and codicil had been withdrawn.

Mr. Lynch, K.C., who, with Mr. Fitzgerald, K.C., Mr. Rearden, K.C., and Mr. Michael Binchy (instructed by Messrs. James Binchy and Son, Charleville), appeared for the plaintiff, stated the facts of the case.

Mr. Justice Sullivan admitted the will to probate, accepting the consent and making it a rule of the Court.

THE PRICE OF PIGS.

The price of pigs in Wexford is 65s. per cwt., live-weight.

At the Gorey market yesterday fat pigs fetched 60s. per cwt., live-weight, a fall of 2s. per cwt. in a week.

At the Callan pig market 38s. per cwt. was paid for fat pigs, an increase of 6s. on last week's price, and of 12s. in a fortnight.

Strabane Urban District Council have decided to proceed with a new sewerage scheme running from the Derry road to the Strabane Canal, in consequence of the expansion of the town and the building of new houses.

PATENTS, DESIGNS, TRADE MARKS.—W. H. EWART DOYLE, Registered Patent Agent, Consulting Engineer, Registered Patent Attorney. Advice Free.—12 College Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

IRELAND v. WALES.

Miss Priestly. Miss Robinson. Miss Maxwell. Miss Rodden.

Miss Cummins. Mrs. Charters. Miss Archdale.

Miss Kirkwood. Miss Corry. Mrs. Blake. Miss Peatt.

THE IRISH LADIES' HOCKEY TEAM.

HOCKEY.

TO-DAY'S INTERNATIONAL.

WALES V. IRELAND.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

ABERGAVENNY, Friday Night.

Our first international engagement is due to-morrow afternoon, when we play Wales, the 30th match of a series which started away back in 1895. To date we can claim a big advantage with 26 wins against the Principality's 2, the remaining game, at Llandudno in 1923, being drawn on a 2-all score. The goals scored also favour Ireland on totals of 142 for to 26 against.

Time was when our opponents were very moderate, but that time is past, and Welsh hockey is now equal to the best. This year's side promises a stiff game, if the accounts of last week's meeting with Scotland go for anything. Youth and pace were strongly in evidence, and on a muddy pitch at Dunfermline the Welshmen won, and won well, by the only goal scored in a keen game.

In a well-balanced team T. S. Neville (left back) and G. Theophilus (centre-half) stood out by themselves, and it was their unyielding defence which broke up the Wimbledon club attack of the brothers Kirkpatrick and Morley Brown.

To-morrow our inside men are likely to find them just as big a proposition.

M. J. Turnbull proved a sound centre forward—his was the winning goal—and he got good support from his left wing, the elder Theophilus and M. D. A. Evans.

On the principle that "nothing succeeds like success," the Welsh Selectors made no change, and so our opponents take the field with all the advantage of a game together.

Stiff as the match promises to be, I think we have a team capable of winning. Our Selectors made full use of the interprovincials and the final Trial, and their deliberations produced a workmanlike side. F. M. Kagar again leads the forwards, and is flanked by two clever and hard-working insides in J. E. Cairnes and C. W. Cook. The wings are fast, capable of good stick-work, and willing and able to get the ball across.

Good as is the Welsh half-back line by report, ours should prove better. T. H. Ely, who drew such high praise from last year's Indian touring XI., is again in the centre and playing just as well as in 1926. T. J. MacDonald and J. Peatt occupy the wings, positions fully earned in the trials, though the latter only comes on vice S. G. Ronan, who is laid up.

At full-back W. M. Dick should be a tower of strength, now that his injured rib is sound again, and his experience will prove a big help to his partner, J. Smyth, the only new cap in the team, who showed excellent form playing for Ulster a month ago.

In goal H. Greenfield promises to equal the best of the Irish goalkeepers of years gone by.

Teams:—

IRELAND.—H. Greenfield (Lisnagarvey); W. M. Dick (Cliftonville), J. Smyth (East Antrim and Yorkshire); J. Peatt (Nik-e-vols), T. H. Ely (Three Rock Rovers and Army), T. J. MacDonald (North Down); W. A. Brogan (Lisnagarvey), J. E. Cairnes (Three Rock Rovers and Army), F. M. Kagar (Three Rock Rovers and Army), (capt.), C. W. Cook (Kingstown G.S.), W. P. MacDonogh (Cliftonville).

WALES.—R. S. Craig (Wrexham); J. Archer (Grasseer), T. S. Neville (Dover); E. S. McDonald (Newport), G. Theophilus (Newport), A. Sharpe (Toddington); A. Angier (Penarth), M. J. Turnbull (Cambridge University), A. Cutter (Newport), M. D. A. Evans (capt.) (Tulse Hill), J. Theophilus (Tulse Hill).

THE FIXTURES.

INTERNATIONALS.

Ireland v. Wales (Ladies), Park avenue.
Wales v. Ireland, Abergavenny.

MILLS' CUP—Second Round.

Wicklow v. Dublin University, Wicklow, 2.15. Messrs. J. Morrison and D. Robinson.
Portadown v. Galkey, The Stiles, 3.0. Messrs. C. Brown and S. Richardson.
Monkstown v. Three Rock Rovers, Royal terrace. Messrs. G. V. Breland and D. E. Cotter.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

Railway Union v. National Bank, Park avenue, 4.0. Mr. W. F. McDonnell.
Pembroke Wanderers v. Kingstown Grammar School, Serpentine avenue, 2.30.

IRISH JUNIOR CUP.

Naas v. Kingstown Grammar School 2nd, Naas. Messrs. A. H. Orr and W. Twamley.

RAILWAY CUP.

Monkstown 2nd v. Three Rock Rovers 2nd, Royal terrace. Messrs. A. Scales and T. Pike.

INTERMEDIATE CUP.

Y.M.C.A. v. Corinthians 2nd, Claremont road. Messrs. H. Peterson and A. Cork.
Bray Rovers v. Fairview C.Y.M.S., Bray. Messrs. W. Mellon and T. Bleadle.

MINOR CUP.

Fairview 2nd v. Trinity 3rd, Phillipsburgh avenue. Messrs. P. Remmington and J. Leahy.
Balkey 4th v. Grangegorman, Greenfields. Messrs S. McElveen and F. Gardner.
Wicklow 2nd v. Avoca, Wicklow, 3.30. Messrs. L. Morrison and D. Robinson.

OTHER MATCHES.

Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Trinity 2nd, Serpentine avenue.
Civil Service v. Railway Union 2nd, Cabra. A. V. Black.
National Bank 2nd v. Railway Union 4th, Kinnage. A. P. Seaine and W. O'Gorman.
Dublin University 3rd v. Railway Union 3rd, College Park. J. Seaman and G. Watson.
Corinthians 3rd v. Mountjoy 2nd, Howth road, 3.0.
Railway Union 5th v. Monkstown 4th, Clonskeagh.

TEAMS.

Kingstown Grammar School—F. Whitney; G. Browne, I. Vavian; L. S. Phillips, E. Wheler, R. E. Felton; T. Staples, E. F. Burke, W. C. Ritchie, E. M. McCormack, S. Cheetham.

Kingstown Grammar School 2nd—J. Kellett; F. Shellard, C. R. Moore; S. Sutton, W. Harris, H. Moore; D. M. Fitzpatrick, E. Maguire, G. Titterington, J. A. Felton, R. Good.

Railway Union—W. C. Sacks; C. K. N. Brouner, M. C. O'Donoghue; J. J. Cornesdon, W. Chisholm (capt.), R. Williams, T. C. Brouner, C. Sully, V. Sully, H. Sully, W. E. Hennessy.

Railway Union 2nd—W. McClelland; E. J. Short, J. T. Ryan (capt.); C. Johnson, G. Erskine, T. Spearman; H. J. Bollard, M. J. Doogan, W. Rudd, F. Bennett, J. White.

Carlisbian—G. S. Prouse; E. Dewar, D. Campbell; F. Smith, C. G. Gregory, G. H. Shaw; A. W. Falk, J. Shannon, C. S. Brisbane, H. V. Keegan, A. J. Keegan.

Corinthian 2nd—R. W. Keegan; W. H. Carr, J. Sampson; C. Grant, N. Stokes, J. Dunne; J. Bell, G. H. Kenny, J. W. Kelly, J. Graydon, J. G. Oulton.

Y.M.C.A.—Morgan; Morris, Worrall; H. Darling, Toulin, McEndoo; W. D. Darling, Ross, R. Darling, Jones, Beaton.

Mountjoy 2nd—R. S. Mullen; W. O'Neill, G. Griffith; H. O. Taylor, F. W. Blackmore, D. Sullivan; E. G. Redding, J. Jeffs, E. H. Johnston, F. Sweetman, R. J. Buttimore.

Dublin University—E. R. Meanbane; R. P. McGarrigle, J. E. R. Keyne; H. T. Fleming, E. P. Griffith, N. A. Kilmear; G. F. West, W. D. C. Crawley, E. G. Fitt, C. M. Deverell, T. G. McVeagh. (Team leaves Trinity front gate 12.30.)

Wicklow—W. Roberts; R. Kent, E. J. H. Hopkins; N. J. McEachern, A. W. F. Orr, C. A. Hopkins; D. M. O'Reilly (capt.), C. G. Gellettie, J. S. D. Kerr, J. H. McCarroll, R. Haskins.

THE BRANCH COUNCIL.

Members of the Branch Council should note that this month's meeting will be held on Friday night, instead of Wednesday, next week, at 8 Merrion Row, at 8 o'clock.

LADIES' HOCKEY.

WALES V. IRELAND.

TO-DAY'S MATCH AT PARK AVENUE.

To-day's match at R. and S.P.U. ground, Park avenue, will be the 16th meeting between the two countries, Ireland having already won 12 and Wales 3. The first match was played in 1899, and the Irish Ladies won all matches up to 1907, when there came a stop in the fixtures. In 1925 when the matches were resumed Wales proved victorious, and they won again in 1926 and 1928.

On this season's form an Irish win is probable to-day. Both teams have met and gone down to Scotland, Wales by 3—0, while the Irish defeat was only 1-0. To-day's Irish team includes two Leinster players—Miss D. Maxwell (Optimists) in goal, and Miss G. Robinson (Maids of the Mountain) at right wing. Miss Maxwell is the only newcomer to International hockey on the side, and if she plays up to her usual brilliant club form Ireland will have nothing to fear in the last line of defence. Miss Robinson made a most auspicious *début* against Scotland last Saturday, and a repetition of her form in that match is hoped for to-day. Teams:—

IRELAND.

Goal—Miss Maxwell (Leinster).
Full-backs—Mrs. Charters (Ulster) (capt.), Miss Priestly (Munster).
Halves—Miss Cummins (Munster), Miss Archdale (Ulster), Miss Peatt (Ulster).
Forwards—Miss Robinson (Leinster), Miss Corry (Ulster), Mrs. Blake (Ulster), Miss C. Rodden (Ulster), Miss Kirkwood (Ulster).

WALES.

Goal—Miss N. Davies (North).
Full-backs—Miss E. Lawrence (South), Miss M. Oresman (South) (capt.).
Halves—Miss G. Williams (South), Miss Hamilton Jones (replaces Miss B. James at centre half), Miss A. Lockley (South).
Forwards—Miss C. Davies (South), Miss D. Williams (North), Miss E. Harris (North), Miss N. Davies (North), Miss D. Jenkins (South).

JUNIOR INTERPROVINCIAL.

ULSTER V. MUNSTER.

EASY ULSTER VICTORY.

The junior interprovincial match between Ulster and Munster, played at Optimists' ground, Gilford road, resulted in a good win for Ulster by 6 goals to nil. Ulster completely outplayed their opponents, who were much too slow on the ball; they combined better and made the most of every advantage in the circle.

From the start Ulster attacked, and during the first half Miss Brandon scored twice and Miss Jones once, all three being the result of good forward rushes. Miss Barry, the Munster goalkeeper, saved some hard shots, always using her stick, however.

After the interval the Munster defence seemed to improve, although Ulster scored again three times, Miss Brandon being responsible. Miss Barry stopped and cleared many tries, but never used her feet. Teams:—

Ulster—Mrs. Colhoun (Strabane); Mrs. Crumble (Knock H.), Miss Cowan (Queen's University H.); Miss McCullagh (Queen's University H.), Mrs. Haslem (Knock H.), Miss Boyd (Strabane); Miss Smyth (Holywood), Miss Irvine (Greygab), Miss Brandon (Knock H.), Miss Jones (Queen's Island), Miss McQuiston (Holywood).

Munster—Miss Barry (Sunday's Well); Miss M. Whelan (Ashton) (capt.), Miss Madden (Cork); Miss Tracy (Ashton), Miss Collins (Ursulines, Blackrock), Miss Burke (Ashton); Miss McKechnie (Rochelle), Miss Palmer (Rochelle), Miss Shorten and Miss Lawson (Ursulines, Blackrock), Miss Dale (Rochelle).

FIXTURES.

JUNIOR INTERPROVINCIAL.

Ulster v. Leinster, Gilford road, 11 a.m.

SCHOOLS' INTERPROVINCIAL.

Leinster v. Ulster, Milltown, 11.45 a.m.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

Ireland v. Wales, Park avenue, Sandymount, 2.30.

PEAT CUP.

Optimists 4th v. Trigina 2nd, Gilford road, 4 o'clock.
Mogkstown 3rd v. Loreto Past 1st, Clonskea, 4.15.
Civil Service 2nd v. Optimists 3rd, Rialto, 4.0.
Glenageary v. Newcomes 2nd, Glenageary, 4.15.
Newcomes 1st v. National Bank 3rd, Temple Hill, 4.15.
Old College 3rd v. University College 2nd, Sydney Parade, 3.45.
Shielmartin v. Criterion, Oaklands Park 4.0.

INTERMEDIATE BADGES.

Muckross 2nd v. Glengara Park 1st, Crumlin, 4.0.

CLUB MATCH.

Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Monkstown 2nd, Serpentine avenue, 4.15.

OTHER TEAMS.

Leinster Girls—Misses P. Milligan (Cabra); A. McKay (Alexandra School); O. Reede (Bertrand); Lady (St. Mary's); S. Joiner (St. Margaret's Hall), M. O'Connor (Cabra); R. Irwin (Wesley), M. Fry (Alexandra School), P. Laverty (Cabra), O'Reilly (Wesley), E. Jones (Alexandra College).

Ulster Girls—Misses Tredgold (Methodist College); Simpson (Friends' School), Corkey (Victoria); McMaster (Alexandra), Conlon (Methodist College), Weir (Ashleigh House); McGregor (Methodist College), Moffatt (Victoria), Wilson (Academy), McCluskey (St. Dominic's), Clarke (Academy).

Criterion—Misses Hanna; Hamilton, P. Campbell; O'Toole, Symes, K. Campbell; White, Fisher, Dunne, Portley, Jackson.

SENIOR SCHOOLS CUP.

DOMINICAN CONVENT LORETO COLLEGE (CABRA)..... 3 (STEPHEN'S GN.) 1

Dominican Convent (Cabra) defeated Loreto College at Serpentine avenue yesterday in the semi-final of the Senior Schools Cup, after a closely contested game. The opening exchanges were evenly contested, Cabra taking the lead after ten minutes' play, as the result of clever work by Miss Lavery. Stephen's Green worked down to the Cabra circle for Miss Mooney to equalise. The second half opened in favour of Cabra, Miss Lloyd giving them the lead. Loreto worked hard for the equaliser, but found the Cabra defence sound. Five minutes from the end Miss Burke added the third for Cabra, leaving them winners of a good game.

HOCKEY.

IRELAND v. SCOTLAND,

AT

IVEAGH GROUND, CRUMLIN,

SATURDAY, 16th MARCH, 3.0 p.m.

Tickets for Covered Stand at Mills', 8 Merrion row. Buses from D'Olier street pass the ground.—(Advt.)

HOUSEMAID FOUND DROWNED.

INQUEST AT THOMASTOWN.

A verdict that death was due to drowning was returned at the inquest held on Thursday evening at Thomastown on the body of Miss Mona Sexton (26), housemaid at Mount Juliet, Thomastown, who disappeared on Sunday morning, the 10th February.

Miss Katie Costigan, housemaid at Mount Juliet, gave evidence to the effect that on the Saturday morning previous to her disappearance Miss Sexton received a letter by post which appeared to upset her. She brought certain articles from the storeroom on that day, which the witness knew that she did not require, and she said that she had been making mistakes all day.

The jury expressed sympathy with the mother and relatives of the deceased girl and with Major Dermot and Lady Helen McCalmont, with whom she had been employed.

GERVASE ELWES FUND BRIDGE DRIVE.

A largely attended bridge drive in aid of the Gervase Elwes Fund for Musicians was held in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, last night.

The fund was founded in memory of that great singer, Gervase Elwes, to carry on the benevolent work so widely identified with his name. The Irish branch was started in 1923 at the express wish of Lady Elwes, to assist necessitous musicians and their widows and orphans. In addition to such charitable activities the fund makes grants to exceptionally gifted students, who are preparing to enter the musical profession, thus enabling them in some instances to complete their studies abroad.

Major Arthur Whewell, who opened the Drive, said that the work was a good one, and they hoped to do a great deal in the future if funds permitted. The large attendance was a tribute, not only to the great name of Gervase Elwes, but also to Mr. Hubert Rooney, who formed the Irish branch of the fund.

BOY INJURED IN SCUTCH MILL.

While working in the scutch mill of Mr. Rankin, St. Johnston, County Donegal, yesterday, Robert Orr, aged sixteen, St. Johnston, got his right arm caught in rollers, and was severely injured. He was removed to the Londonderry Infirmary, where it was found that his arm was lacerated and his hand so badly crushed that it was necessary to amputate some of his fingers.

Mr. E. Baxter, Mrs. Lyne Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. O'Reilly, Messrs. M. Rocke, J. B. Phelan, T. W. Abernethy, M. Slater and W. Mackesy, photographed at the National Coursing Meeting at Clonmel, County Tipperary.

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NAAS.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

With upwards of seventy horses under orders to meet their engagements, the prospects for to-day at Naas are most promising. The meeting may be said to mark the end of the "off" season and the beginning of a new campaign, and the opportunity thus afforded racegoers of renewing acquaintance with their favourite sport will, no doubt, be largely availed of. The splendid entry obtained for the fixture indicates that there is no scarcity of jumpers in the country, and it is satisfactory to find such a strong representation in the maiden steeplechase and the maiden hurdle race. It is certainly an attractive programme, and the proceedings promise to be very interesting. A special train leaves Kingsbridge at 2 o'clock and returns at 5.20 p.m. Selections:—

Robertstown Plate—**Nell Gwynne.**

Kildare Plate—**Mustard Club**; if absent, **Reilly.**

Osberstown Plate—**Duratoi.**

Naas Plate—**Prudent Town**; if absent, **Partoi.**

Halverstown Plate—**Innisial.**

3.0—**ROBERTSTOWN PLATE** of 50 sovs. Handicap hurdle race. 1¼ m.

		Age	st.	lb.
KILDARRA BOY (Mrs. M. Dawson)	Dawson a	12	11	7
PRIORY WOOD (Mr. J. S. Shepherd)	Purcell-Gough	6	12	7
TIRANOGUE (Mr. W. W. Ashe)	Owner a	11	11	4
SUN FLAME (Mr. M. Arnott)	Owner a	11	11	4
MINNETONKA (Mr. J. Sheill)	Doyle a	11	11	0
SOUVENANCE (Mr. G. Beebe)	Arnott a	11	11	0
AVERAGE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson)	Owner 5	11	11	0
LAUDAMUS (Mr. E. Kirwan)	Arnott 5	11	11	0
GOLDEN RAIN (Mr. A. Lowry)	Dawson a	11	11	0
GAMEFELLOW (Mr. J. O'Donoghue)	Cunningham	6	11	0
BATTLE BRIDGE (Mr. John Doyle)	Owner 5	10	11	7
JURAT (Mr. A. Lowry)	Dawson a	12	11	4
NELL GWYNNE (Mr. H. Hunter)	Owner 5	10	11	4
LONG TRECK (Mr. C. Blackmore)	Kirwan 6	10	11	4
DOUANIER (Mr. A. J. M'Namara)	H. Harty 5	10	11	4
NELDOG (Mr. P. Burke)	Collins 5	10	11	4
KOSCIE'S STAR (Mr. H. C. McNally)	Staunton 4	10	11	4
GOOD THING (Mr. C. Blackmore)	J. Kirwan a	10	11	4
LORD BURDON (Mr. C. Fagan)	Brooks a	10	11	4
WILD NANCY (Mr. P. J. Hearne)	P. Kirwan 6	10	11	4
SPARE TIME (Mr. A. Lowry)	Dawson a	12	11	0
HYSTERICS (Mr. F. P. O'Donnell)	Owner a	11	11	0
BANTAM (Mr. T. Wilson)	Downes a	11	11	0
GROSVENOR HAPPY BOY (Mr. J. O.				
MAIDEN HEAD (Mr. Carroll)	Owner a	11	11	0
MAIDEN HEAD (Mr. Carroll)	J. Kirwan 4	10	11	0

DARE MAIDEN HURDLE Trans-
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LONDON QUIET.

OILS ACTIVE AND STRONG.

The volume of business going in the London Stock Markets as a whole yesterday was still on the small side in most directions, while prices again tended downward. There was, however, an active business in progress in the Oil Share Market, following the announcement of the 2½d. rise in petrol and reports of an agreement betwen the Anglo-American Oil Company and Russian interests regarding the marketing of oil in Great Britain. Long before the official opening hour brokers had arrived, and business was being transacted on a large scale, while prices mounted steadily, and, following on the late rise of the previous day, further substantial improvements were registered. Other firm markets were provided by Copper Shares, which continued in good request, while Motors attracted fresh attention. Anglo-Americans also made a firm showing, and certain Miscellaneous Industrials were marked forward.

Quiet conditions ruled in the Gilt-edged section, but quotations were mostly well held, though the few alterations recorded were against holders. Foreign Government Stocks also experienced a lean session, and here also quotations showed little change from the overnight levels. Idle conditions continued in Home Rails, with Midland and Underground Ord. easing further. Colonial and Foreign Rails, on the other hand, again displayed a firmer tendency, with Canadian Pacifics and San Paulo each 2 points up.

In the Industrial sections, Art Silks went lower in several instances. Talking Machines, on the other hand, marked further improvements here and there, while Motors attracted renewed support at firmer levels. Tobaccos, on the other hand, remained dullish; rumours on the current in the "House" that fresh being [illegible] be imposed on the industry. taxation may be [illegible] Among Miscellaneous Industrials, Nicklets continued firm, and Matches and Margarine Union were other firm spots. Wireless descriptions strengthened in some instances; but Cables were dullish. A somewhat firmer tendency was apparent in the Rubber Share Market, and, despite the paucity of interest, quotations stiffened here and there. Among Mines, Coppers continued in good request, and Diamonds strengthened. Kaffirs, on the other hand, were idle, and Tins attracted little attention.

PEARL ASSURANCE COMPANY.

During 1928 the total income increased £1,348,000, and the claims paid increased £5,491,000, and the funds, now £53,582,000, are £5,016,000 higher. A reversionary bonus of £2 6s. has been declared on Pearl policies entitled to participate in full profits. The Dublin office is at 38 Dame street.

ENFIELD CABLE.

The Enfield Cable Works reports a profit for the eighteen months ended 31st December, 1928, of £142,000. A final dividend is proposed of 10 per cent., making 30 per cent. At the meeting to be held on 20th March resolutions will be submitted authorising the creation of 350,000 additional Ordinary shares of £1 each. The directors will propose to issue 100,000 of these to the existing shareholders at the price of 40s. per share in the proportion of two for every five held. For the year 1926-27 the profit was £102,718 and the dividend 20 per cent. The issued capital is £450,000 in £1 shares, and these are now quoted around £5 10s. The issue of new shares at 40s., therefore, is on bonus terms.

TODD, BURNS AND CO., LIMITED.

A GOOD YEAR.

The annual meeting of shareholders was held at 47 Mary street yesterday. The chairman of the directors, Mr. John Callaghan, presided.

The Secretary, Mr. J. J. Scanlan, having read the notice convening the meeting and the auditors' report, the Chairman said:—We are glad to be able to present to you the most favourable statement we have made for many years. The dividend recommended is fully covered by the earnings, and the amount carried forward is increased. The year was an exceptionally difficult one for profit-making, and it was only by the strenuous efforts of all concerned that we succeeded in achieving these results. Our new venture, "Furnish out of Income," is going strong, and, although it entails carrying a larger stock and having a larger amount due to us, it is financed without difficulty. Our manufacturing departments have been working to their full capacity throughout the year. It is yet too early to say what effect the new and increased tariffs will have on our business, but we are hoping for the best. During the year we purchased the freehold of one of our holdings, the lease of which would expire in a few years. The balance sheet shows an increase of £7,600 in debtors and £5,000 in stock; the liabilities are increased by £12,500, largely due, as stated, to our hire purchase department. Granted more seasonable weather conditions, we look forward to better results for the coming year.

Mr. C. O'Sullivan was re-elected a director of the company. Messrs. Stokes Bros and Pim were re-elected auditors.

BROOKS, THOMAS AND CO.

The annual meeting of Brooks, Thomas and Co., Ltd., was held yesterday, Mr. E. Clive Brooks (chairman) presiding. The other directors present were Messrs. T. N. Hutton, Frank H. Warnock, A. J. Wallace and George S. Gamble.

The report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st January, 1929, having been received and adopted, dividends were declared on the Preference shares at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, less income tax, and 1s. per share, less income tax, for the half-year, which, with the dividend of 6d. per share already paid, makes 1s. 6d. per share for the year on the Ordinary shares, also a bonus of 9d. per share, free of tax, £3,000 was added to reserve, and £9,307 was carried forward.

The retiring director, Mr. G. S. Gamble, was re-elected.

Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Co. were re-elected auditors.

NEWS AND NOTES.

INDUSTRIAL MARKET.

GENERAL TENDENCY UNDECIDED.

COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONES ADVANCE.

With the carry-over to be arranged on Monday, trading in the Industrial Market yesterday was on a restricted scale. Wall street advices ocntinued satisfactory, but little dispositon was shown to enter into fresh commitments on this side, and the tendency for the most part proved undecided. Quite a fair business was reported among Electricals, but there were more sellers than buyers about. Enfield Cables, however, were a good spot in the Equipment section, with a net advance of 7s. at 5½.

Nickel issues continued in the ascendant, the Letters closing at 66⅞, and Internationals at 67. Iron and Steel Shares generally had a steadier appearance, but there was not a great deal doing.

Cable Securities trended downward in the absence of buyers, and the Wireless group were allowed to sag in places. Eastern Extensions shed a small fraction at 26½, and Western Telegraph at 25⅞. Marconi Ord. dwindled to 78s. 6d.

Following the publication of the annual figures, American Celanese Common dropped at one time to 9½, closing with a net loss of ⅞ at 10⅛. Canadian Celanese lost ½ at 3⅞, after 3½; but British Celanese Ord. finished without net change at 1⅞, after 1½. Courtaulds, however, were well maintained throughout.

Little disposition was shown to enter in fresh commitments among Textiles, where prices were allowed to find their own level. Fine Spinners went back 1s. to 42s., with Bleachers at 33s. 5d., and Listers at 22s. 9d., each a few pence down.

Under the influence of New York advices Columbia Graphophones touched 16½, and finished with a further advance of ⅛ at 16⅜. Victors held around 161, while Gramophones (H.M.V.), after being up to 15, reacted later to 14⅛. Vocations gained the turn at 2⅛, and Metropoles were wanted at 19s.

Margarines claimed most attention in the Food section, the Unions improving 1s. 6d. to 72s. 6d., and the Unies also 1s. 6d. to 75s. 9d., touching 74s. Home and Colonial Ord. recovered to 4⅞, but J Lyons Ord. shed ⅛ at 5⅛. Maypole Dairy Defd. gained the turn at 6s.

The Tobacco section proved rather listless, while rumours of increased taxation in the forthcoming Budget rather accentuated the dulness. "Bats" further declined to 6½, a loss of ⅛, after being slightly under this figure, and "Imps" also closed above the worst, with a similar fall at 6⅛.

Movements among Brewery shares did not indicate any definite trend. Allsopps put on a further 1s. at 34s., and Distillers gained a few pence at 76s. 6d., although marking down to 75s. 6d.

Irregular movements were witnessed among Motor shares. Leylands opened firm at 37s. 6d., but reacted later to 36s. 9d. Thomas Tillings gave way ½ to 5½, but Rolls Royce were better at 52s. 6d

The Canadian-American group gave a mixed display. Banks again suffered from lack of support, and a dull tone characterised the Insurance section. Little of interest occurred in the Shipping group. Nitrates received fresh support in places.

Kreuger and Toll gained ½ at 41, but Swedish Match reacted ½ to 23½, after opening at 23½. Dunlops remained an uncertain market around 23s. 6d.

Changes among recent issues were of a mixed character, but the general trend was in a downward direction. Wyndhams Marine Patents suffered from profit-taking and fell ½ to 2½; while Moviecolor were dull at 2s. 3d., a decline of 9d. Anti-Dazzle Screens (Canada) put on 6d. to 1s. 3d., while British Tintex at 6s. 4½d., Color Snapshots at 3s. 6d., and Henlys Ord. at 9s. 9d. were 3d. higher; but the latter's Pref. fell that much to 19s 6d. Bussey Coal at 7s. 6d., Ever-Ready Trust at 19s. 9d., and Leicestershire L. and N. Coal at 2s. dis., eased 6d., and shades of a few pence were sustained by Atlas Artificial Silk at par, British Oil Lighting at 2s., Ciro Pearls Holdings at 8s. 6d., Friary Holroyd at 37s. 6d., D. Smith and Sons at 5s., and H. Zager, London, new Pref. at 1s. dis., L.G. Automatic were quoted full-paid at 3s., an advance of 6d., but otherwise changes in this group were of little interest.

Bullman Machine were slightly better at 1s. 9d., but the Preference encountered a little selling and fell 1s. to 13s. 9d. Direct Produce, London, improved 4½d. to 15, 10½d., and Smiths Potato Crisps were somewhat higher at 5s. 9d. Sofina came back 2½ to 205, and London Power Debs. ½ to ½ prem.

OIL SHARES FINISH BELOW THE BEST.

The announcement from Moscow that an agreement had been reached between the Anglo-American Oil Company and the R.O.P., coupled with the rise of 2½d. per gallon in the price of petrol, hardly came as a surprise. Nevertheless, the news was responsible for a burst of strength in the Oil Share market at the opening yesterday, the prices of the shares of companies mainly concerned, such as Anglo-Persians and Shells, all going ahead rapidly, and business being on a more active scale than for some time past. The rapidity of the advance, however, resulted in profit-taking by House speculators, and prices generally finished well below the best. Anglo-Americans, in fact, registered a small loss, and the improvements shown in other leading counters at the conclusion of business were only small. More interest was displayed in the speculative favourites, an outstanding feature being a further substantial rise in Attocks.

RUBBER SHARES FIRMER.

Although business remained on small lines in the Rubber share market yesterday, the tone was quite firm, and here and there substantially higher levels were returned at the close. A somewhat easier tendency prevailed in the commodity market. Spot sold 1s. 1d. to 1s. 0¾d. per lb., and March, after 1s. 1d., was marked at 1s. 0⅞d.; April to June fetched 1s. 1¼d. and 1s. 1½d. per lb. London stocks of the raw material on Monday next are expected to show an increase of some 500 tons. In the share market Abaco shot forward to 40s., which left them 2s. 6d. up, while British Industrial and General Investment Def. were 10 points harder at 115.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

BRITISH FUNDS ETC.

	Closing.		Rise or fall.
Consols 2½%	55	55⅛	-¼
Do. 4%	85	85⅛	.....
War Loan 4½%	97⅛	98⅛	.....
Do. 5%	101⅜	101⅝	.....
Do. 4% (Tax Free)	101¼	101⅝	.....
Funding Loan	88½	89	.....
Victory Bonds	91½	92⅜	.....
2½% Conversion Loan	97½	98⅛	.....
4½% Conversion Loan	96½	97	-¼
4½% Treasury Bonds	98	99	.....
Irish Land 2½%	58¼	59½	.....
India 3%	68½	69½	.....
Do. 3½%	90½	91⅛	.....
Do. 4½%	108½	109⅛	.....
Do. 5½%	63½	64½	.....
Local Loans	107	108*	.....

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c.	99	100	.....
Do. do. 6 p.c.	100	102*	.....
British Columbia 4½ p.c. 1941	94	96	.....
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-60	88	90	.....
Cape 3½ p.c. Cons.	79	81	-1
Ceylon 6 p.c.	105	107	.....
N.S.W. 4½ p.c., 1935-45	89	91	.....
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-65	97	99	.....
Do. 6⅛ p.c., 1930-40	100	102	.....
New Zealand 4 p.c. Cons., '29	101	103	.....
Do. 5 p.c., 1946	101	103	.....
Nigeria 6 p.c.	112	114	.....
Queensland 5½ p.c., 1626-29	100	101	.....
Do. 5 p.c., 1940-60	97	99	.....
South African 5 p.c., 1935-43	100	102	.....
Do. 6 p.c.	101	103	.....
South Australian 5 p.c., 1932-42	95	97*	.....
Do. 6½ p.c.	100	102	.....
Victoria 5 p.c. 1932-42	97	99	.....
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-65	97	99	.....
Western Australian 5 p.c., 1935-45	97	99	.....
Do. 6 p.c., 1930-40	99	101	.....

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

96	Antofagasta	94	96	.....
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	92	94	.....
—	Bahia Bonanza Gar Sec	83	85	.....
108½	Buenos Ayres Gt. Sthn.	106½	108½	.....
100	Buenos Ayres Pacific	98½	100½	.....
98½	Buenos Ayres and W.	95	97	.....
—	Canadian National Guar	98	100	.....
—	Canadian Pacific	239	241	+2
249	Central Argentine	97	99	.....
99	Do. Pref.	88½	90½	.....
92	Central Uruguay	95	97	.....
98	Cordoba Central	35	37	.....
37/4	Do. 1st Pref.	96	98	.....
97½	Do. 2nd Pref.	63½	65	.....
63½	Entre Rios	98	100	.....
99¾	Do. 4 per Cum. Pref.	99½	101½	.....
—	Grand Trunk 5 p.c. Guar	80	82	.....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	50	54	.....
—	Internatl. of Cent. Amer	28	30½	.....
56½	Leopoldina	56	58	+1
5½	Mexican Rails	5	5½	.....
13	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	13	15	.....
7½	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	6	8	.....
212	San Paulo Ord.	208	213	+2
45	United Havana	43	45	+1

BANKS.

Anglo-South American	8⅛	8⅜	.....
Bank of Australasia	14 3/16	15 5/16	+1/16
Bank of England	260	264	.....
Bank of Montreal	73	77	.....
Bank of New South Wales	48¼	49¼*	.....
Do. New Zealand	60 0	62 0	.....
Barclay's "A" Shares	7 15/16	8 1/16	.....
British Overseas	5 3/16	6 1/16	.....
Canadian of Commerce	70	73	.....
Chartered of India	21⅝	22¾	-⅛
Hong Kong and Shanghai	145	148	.....
Lloyds	63 0	64 0	.....
Martins	7⅜	7⅝	.....
Midland	9¼	9½	.....
National Discount "B"	10	10½	.....
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	13 3/16	13 15/16	.....
Royal of Canada	74½	78*	.....
Standard of South Africa	15	15½	.....
Union of Australia	15	15½	.....
Westminster Bank (£1)	32 1/2	34 1/2	.....

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

32/6	Allsopp £1 Shares	33/0	35/0	+1/0
73 3	Bass Ratcliff Ord.	3 15/16	3 11/16	.....
17/0	Brewers of Vancouver	15 6	16 3	.....
84 0	City of London Def. (5/-)	10 3	11 3	.....
73/0	Courage Ord.	3½	3⅝	.....
79/0	Distillers Ord.	76 0	77 0	+0/3
—	Gaelic Whisky Ord. (£1 units)	84 0	85 0	.....
74/0	Hoare and Co.	2 7/16	3 9/16	-1/16
76 6	Ind Coope Ord.	67 0	69 0	-1/0
60/6	South African Breweries	2⅛	3	.....
—	Walker (John) Pref.	23/6	24 6	.....
64 6	Watney, Combe Def. (£1)	62/0	63 0	.....

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

—	Bournemouth and Poole	67/6	69 6	-0/6
26 6	Charing Cross	26 0	27 0	.....
—	Chelsea Ord.	26 0	27 0	.....
32/0	City of London	30 0	33 0	.....
52/6	County of London	52 6	53 6	+0/6
—	Lancashire	30 0	31 0	.....
—	London Electric	77 3	78 3	.....
45 9	Metropolitan	47/6	44 6	-0/6
27 0	Newcastle	25 6	26 6	.....
27/6	St. James's	27 0	28 0	.....
—	South London	25 6	27 6	.....
26 9	Westminster	26 6	27 6	.....
—	Whitehall Inv. Pref.	24 1/2	26 1/2	.....

INSURANCE.

2½	Alliance £20 (£2 4/- p.)	2¼	2 15/16	-⅛
14¼	All £5 (£2 5/- p.)	14¼	15	.....
27 3	Com. Un. (£2½ paid)	28¼	29¼	.....
13¼	Eagle Star Ord £3	13¼	13⅝	.....
81/0	Employers' £1 (5/- p.)	81/0	83/0	.....
14⅝	Gen Accdt £5 (£1¼ p.)	14¾	15¾	.....
11	Guardian £3 (10/- p.)	11	12	.....
30½	L. & Lan Fire £5 (£1 p.)	30½	31½	-½
11	Lon. Ass. £2½	11	12	-¼
26	R.I. & Mer £5 (£1¼ p.)	25	27½	.....
17	Northern £10 (£1 p.)	17½	18½	.....
15½	Phœnix £10 (£1 p.)	15½	16½	.....
14	Do. Ord. (£2)	14¾	15¾	.....
26½	Prudential	25½	26½	.....
2¼	Do. "B" £1 (4/- p)	2 1/16	2 3/16	.....
8½	Royal Exchange	8	8⅜	.....
8⅝	Royal Ins. £1 (12/- p.)	8 3/16	8 5/16	.....
57	Sun Ins. £10 (£2 p.)	54	56	.....
15	Sun Life £10 (£2½ p.)	15½	16½	.....
19	Yorkshire £5 (10/- p.)	18	19	.....

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

8/9	Amal. Anthracite	9/6	10/0	+0/3
1/0	Armstrong (W. G.)	0/9	1/3	.....
70/6	Babcock Wilcox Ord.	69 0	70 6	.....
4/3	Baldwins	4 1/16	4 7/16	.....
8/6	Bird & (John)	7 9	8 9	.....
2 5/16	Buell. Combustion	2 3/16	2 7/16	.....
6 0	Cammell Laird	5 6	6 3	.....
11/9	Cargo Fleet	10/6	11 6	.....
60/0	Cory (William)	59/6	60 6	.....
10/0	Dorman Long	9/9	10/3	.....
64½	International Nickel	66½	67	+1¾
5/3	Pease and Partners	5/0	5 6	.....
178	South Durham Steel	25 5/8	28 0	.....
29/6	Siemens	27/0	28 0	.....
11/09	Vickers Ord.	11/9	12 3	+0/6

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

57/0	Argentine Land Invest	2 1/16	2 5/16	-1/8
32/6	Do. Southern Land	1 9/16	1 11/16	.....
—	City San Paulo Impts.	21 1/2	22 4½	+0½
27/9	Forestal Land	27/3	27/9	+0/1½
6	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5 15/16	6 1/16	+1/16
1 7/16	Hyderabad Deccan	1 5/16	1 7/16	.....
7/6	Pekin Syndicate	6/3	7 3	.....
6/0	Rio de Janeiro	7 7/16	7 10½	.....
4 5/16	Sudan Plantations	4 3/32	4 5/32	.....

NEWSPAPERS.

2 1/16	Assd Newspapers Df (5/-)	2 1/16	2 5/16	+ 1/8
2½	Allied News Ord.	2⅜	2¾	.....
—	Do. Pref. (New)	4 6	5 6	.....
4⅝	Daily Mail Trust	4 19/32	4 23/32	+1/32
34 6	Daily Mirror Ord. (5/- sh.	32/0	33 0*	+0/3
—	Financial Newspapers	19 9	20 9	.....
—	Illustrated Newspapers	3 1/32	1 29/32	.....
4 5/16	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	4	4 1/8	.....

NITRATES.

7 1/4	Alianza	6 1/2	7 1/2	.....
16/0	Lagunas Nitrate	14/0	16/0	.....
3 1/16	Lautaro Nitrate	3 1/16	4 1/16	-1/16
1	Liver. of Nitrate	20/0	30/0	+1/0
27/0	New Tamarugal	27/0	30/0	+1/0
8/6	Rosario Nitrate	7 0	9 0	.....
1¼	Santiago Nitrate	1 1/16	1 3/16	.....
11/0	Tarapaca Nitrate	11/0	12 0	+1/0

OILS.

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3 5/32	Anglo-American	3 25/32	3 25/32	-1/32
1 1/8	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1 3/32	1 5/32	+1/32
2 15/16	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	2 13/16	2 7/8	.....
4¼	Anglo-Persian Ord.	4 1/8	4 11/16	.....
27/6	Do. 8 p.c. 1st Pref.	26 9	27 3	.....
28/6	Do. 8 p.c. 2nd Pref.	27/6	28/0	.....
98	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	97½	98½	.....
19 1/8	Apex Trinidad (5/- shares)	1 5/16	1 9/16	+1/32
3	Attock	3 2/32	3 3/32	+1/32
13/6	British Borneo Pet. (10/-)	13/0	14 3	+0 1½
7/0	British Burmah (8/-)	2/6	3	.....
8/0	British Controlled	4 3 9	5 3	5/6	+0 4½
6/0	Do. Pref.	6/0	6 9	+0 4½
4 5/16	Burmah	5½	5 5/16	+1/16
27/9	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	27/0	27/6	.....
12/0	Canadian Eagle Ord.	11 10½	12 4½	+0 4½
11/9	Do. 7 p.c. 1st. Pref. ($3)	11/6	12/0	.....
11/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	11 1½	11 7½	+0 4½
1 15/16	Creole Synd.	1 29/32	1 31/32	.....
5 29/32	Eagle Transport Pref.	5 15/16	6 1/16	.....
7/9	Korn River (10/-)	8 4½	8 7½	+0 7½
—	Lago (no par value)	3½	3 9/16	.....
2	Lobito	2 5/16	2¼	+1/8
13/0	Mexican Eagle Ord.	13 1½	13 7½	+/6
12/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref. New.	12 4½	12 10½	+0/6
7/9	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref (4 pesos)	7 4½	7 10½	.....
2/9	North Caucasian (10/-)	2/6	3/0	.....
1/9	Omnium	1/6	2/0	.....
—	Pan-American "B"	9 4 4½	9 4 6½	.....
13 7/16	Phœnix Oil	13 1½	13 3/16	+0/3
7 1/16	Do. 1/- shares	7/0	7/6	.....
3 1/4	Royal Dutch	33	33¼	+ ⅛
4¾	Shell Transport	4 13/16	4 7/8	+1/16
9/8	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9 6	10 6	.....
26 4½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	26 3	28 9	.....
1/0	Spies (2/-)	1/4	1/6	.....
11 7½	Tampico Ord.	11 1½	11 7½	.....
7 1/16	Tankers Pref	5 10½	6 1/16	+0 1½
2/9	Trinidad Central	2 7/8	3 1/16	.....
4/6	Trinidad Leaseholds	4 1/32	4 3/32	+1/32
8/6	United Brit. Trinidad	9 6	9/9	+0 1½
2/6	Ural Caspian	2 6	3/0	.....
4 7/32	V.O.C. Holdings	4 1/16	4 1/8	+1/16
4 3/32	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	4 1/16	4 1/8	+1/16

RUBBERS.

1/6	Amal. Finance	1 6	.....
2	Anglo-Dutch	1/9	2 3	.....
4/9	Anglo-Java	4 3	.....
1 5/16	Anglo-Malay	1 3/16	.....
5 1/16	Bertam Cons.	4 13/16	.....
3 7/16	Bukit Mertajam	2 7/16	.....
2 1/16	Bukit Sembawang	1 15/16	.....
1 15/32	Consolidated Rubber	1 7/16	.....
2 5/16	Highlands	2 1/16	.....
1 3/16	Jugra Land	1 1/16	.....
3	Kuala Lumpur	2 15/16	.....
1¾	Linggi	1 11/16	.....
5/6	London Asiatic	4 3 9	.....
2¼	Malacca	4 3	.....
3/9	Malaya Ord.	3/6	.....
1 1/8	Mooply Valley	27/6	.....
44/6	Rubber Trust	43 9	+0 3
22/6	Straits Rubber	23/0	.....
4/9	Sumatra Para	5/0	.....
2 1/8	Tandjong	4 4 1/2	+0 7½
29 4½	Tandjong Malim	29 1/16	.....
5/6	Union Sumatra	5 7½	.....
4¼	United Sua Betong	82/6	-0 7½
15/6	Vallambrosa	16/6	.....

TEXTILES AND ARTSILKS.

2/1½	Alliance Art Silk (5/-)	2/6	3 3	.....
32/9	Amalgamated Cotton	1/9	2 3	.....
44/9	Bleachers	32 9	33 9	-0/3
15/6	Bradford Dyers	43/3	44/3	.....
8/0	Branston Ord.	14 3	15 3	-0/3
9/6	Do. Def. (fully paid)	5/8	1/2	.....
1 1/16	British Celanese Ord.	1 1/32	1 1/32	.....
12/9	Do. Pref.	12/9	13 3	.....
27 3	Calico Printers	26/6	27 6	-¼
3½	Canadian Celanese	3½	4	.....
67/6	Coats	65 6	66 6	.....
4 5/16	Courtaulds	4 1/16	4¼	.....
2 29/32	English Sewing Cottom.	2 11/16	2 3/4	.....
41/0	Fine Spinners	41 6	42 6	-1/0
—	Linen Thread Ord.	1½	1¾	.....
—	Linen and Art Silk (2/-)	2/3	2/9	.....
22/9	Lister Ord.	22 3	23 3	-0/3
1 1/16	Nnera Silk	1 1/16	1 1/16	.....
1 9/16	Do. Def.	1 9/16	1 11/16	.....
22/3	Snia Viscosa	23/3	24 3	.....

TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS

24⅜	Anglo-American Def.	23¾	24¾	-⅛
79/0	Marconi Wireless Ord.	78 0	79 0	-0/6
4⅞	Do. Pref.	4¾	5	.....
—	Do. Marine	1/4	1/6	.....
—	Do. Canada	1½	1⅝	.....
—	Oriental Telephone	3¼	3⅝	.....
20	Radio Corporation	8 1/2	8 2/1	.....
11/-	Do. Pref. ($50)	11	11½	-⅛
12 5/8	United River Plate	12	13	.....

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

14/6	African and East Trade	17/6	18 6	+1/0
3/9	Anti-Dazzle Screens (1/-)	3/6	4 0	+1/9
30 6	Associated Cement	29 3	30 3	.....
36/0	Do. Elec. Ind.	32 0	33 0	-0/6
21 3	Baird Television	10 6	10 9	-0/1½
2/0	Borax C. Def.	1 31/32	1/9	.....
70/-	Brazilian Traction	69 6	70/-	-1/6
6 5/8	British-American Tobacco	6 5/16	6 7/16	-1/16
47/3	British Aluminium	45 9	46 9	.....
10/0	British Inter. Pict. (5/-)	9/6	10 0	0/3
31 6	British Match	30 3	30 9	-0/3
2/-	British Portland Cement	2 3	2 7	.....
33/6	British Oil and Cake	32 6	33 6	-0/1½
—	British Talking Pictures	3/6	3/9	.....
150	Canadian Car	150	160	+0/1½
18/0	Canadian Pacific Trust (10/-)	16 6	17 6	.....
14½	Carreras	13 5 8	14 1/2	.....
4/0	Chemical & Metal. (2/-)	3

LONDON, MIDLAND & SCOTTISH RAILWAY COMPANY.

HOW ECONOMIES OF AMALGAMATION ARE OFFSET.

COMPANY DETERMINED TO SHARE IN THE ROAD TRAFFIC.

FRIENDLY CO-OPERATION OF OFFICERS AND MEN.

The sixth annual general meeting of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company was held at Euston Station, London, N.W.1, on Friday, 1st March, 1929.

Sir Josiah Charles Stamp, G.B.E. (Chairman of the company), presided.

The Secretary (Mr. Owen Glynne Roberts) read the notice.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

The Chairman (who was received with applause) said:—Ladies and gentlemen, we have this year issued a condensed statement of the financial results, and only those asking for the full accounts, either before or at this meeting, have been supplied with copies. The printing and distribution of the full accounts involve considerable expense, and it is found that the short summary has met the wishes of the general body of stockholders who are interested in the broad results of the year's working, though, of course, each is entitled to the full statements on request.

REVISED FORM OF ACCOUNTS.

The form of accounts submitted this year has been altered, but the figures published in the 1927 accounts have been re-arranged in order to permit of proper comparisons. The old form was designed in 1911, and the changes since then, owing to the Railways Act of 1921 and other new circumstances, have resulted in the new form agreed with the Minister of Transport, under the powers vested in him in Parliament. For the sake of those who are interested in the full form of the accounts I may mention that the chief alterations are in:—

NO. 8 ACCOUNT.

The joint line results, previously shown in three separate accounts, are now brought together in one amount in this account, with an analysis in Abstract "J."

Certain charges for rents, interest, etc., previously included in Account No. 9, are transferred to Account No. 8, so that the total of this account represents the "net revenue" in the sense used in the Railways Act of 1921.

NO. 10 ACCOUNT.

An important change is the transfer from this account to a separate account, No. 16, of the receipts and expenses from collection and delivery or rail-borne traffic, and in the balance sheet fuller details are shown of the renewal funds and the investments.

RESULTS OF THE YEAR'S WORKING. RAILWAY RECEIPTS.

The losses in traffic receipts for the year were extremely severe, and were, shortly:—

	Decrease.
Passenger Traffic	£696,000 or 2.3
Freight Traffic—	
Merchandise, Class 7 and upwards	1,394,000 ,, 5.9
Merchandise, Classes 1 to 6	585,000 ,, 7.1
(approximately the old "other minerals" section.)	
Coal, Coke, etc.....	1,325,000 ,, 8.9
Live Stock	7,000 ,, 0.8
Total	£4,007,000 ,, 5.2

The reasons for the decline in passenger traffic are three-fold:—

(1) Industrial depression,
(2) Road competition, and
(3) Reduced fares which have been put in force to conserve traffic against further losses to the roads.

The first two of these contributory causes will deal with separately at a later stage, and as regards the third, the company, in common with the other companies, greatly widened its cheap travel arrangements by reductions of fares and extensions of ticket availability. While this has attracted a considerable number of passengers who would not otherwise have travelled by railway, it has also involved a transfer of passengers from ordinary to cheap fares. The policy pursued has, however, resulted in a less decline of revenue than if the old arrangements had continued.

On long distance traffic it is interesting to note that we have had increased receipts, and the analyses of our earnings show that the losses are mainly in the areas suffering from trade depression, though there have been very heavy losses to the roads in certain areas. For example, passenger receipts are greater between London and such towns as Birmingham, Belfast, Leicester, Nottingham, Manchester, Glasgow and Edinburgh in each case, but the receipts from suburban traffic at Liverpool, Bradford, for example, show the opposite result. Season ticket receipts fell by £243,000, a heavy loss, but those from workmen increased by £26,000 with 5,000,000 additional passengers. The lower workmen's fares in operation in many cases from 1st January, 1928 (an exceptional decrease being the Birmingham and Coventry return fare 1s. 9d. to 1s. 2d.) apparently caused a certain amount of traffic to be drawn from ordinary passengers.

The reasons for the loss of freight train revenue are, shortly, bad trade and road competition, with the emphasis on the former; but one other factor not generally recognised is the new method of charging in operation from 1st January, under which rates are calculated on the throughout mileage as if the mileage were continuous on one railway, and for this purpose the shortest working distance is assumed to be the route used. This statutory requirement has resulted in reduced rates in many cases. While it is difficult to isolate this factor it is thought that it represents about from 1 to 2 per cent. of the freight receipts as a whole, and probably amounts to £500,000, equal to one-half of one per cent. on our Ordinary Stock. In this respect, therefore, it is not so much a loss of receipts or traffic as a reduced rate of charging by which the community benefit.

The coal traffic was particularly bad, and ignoring the year 1926 realised £700,000 less than the previous worst year since amalgamation—1925. The very serious decline was checked about the end of August, and in the current year the receipts are better than in the corresponding period of 1928, but the improvement has so far only partially made good the loss in that year as compared with 1927.

The national coal output fell 5.6 per cent., but the heaviest decreases were in the areas in which we are most concerned—those dealing with the home trade—and largely reflect the depressed state of the heavy industries. That is further illustrated by the reduction in production of pig iron by 9½ per cent., and steel ingots and castings by 6 per cent.—the chief cause of the reduction in mineral receipts. While 1927 was a good year for iron ore traffic the fact that our carryings in 1928 fell by 532,000 tons, or 11 per cent., has consequences far beyond a loss of £77,000 in receipts from that traffic.

As evidence that it is not for the most part road competition which has brought about this decrease, I would point out that our diminution in total tonnage carried was 9,500,000 tons, and in the heavy classes of traffic which are seldom dealt with on the roads about 9,000,000 tons.

RAILWAY EXPENDITURE.

You will have seen from the summary accompanying the report that the savings amount to £2,511,517, and I would like to repeat them here:—

	1928. £	1927. £	Decrease. £
Maintenance of Way and Works ...	7,761,550	7,945,081	183,531
Maintenance of Rolling Stock	10,052,896	10,704,888	651,992
Locomotive Running Expenses	14,219,642	15,283,707	1,064,065
Traffic Expenses	21,302,840	21,685,619	382,779
General Charges	2,126,328	2,150,569	4,241
Rates	2,343,295	2,555,306	212,011
Miscellaneous...	1,138,886	1,151,784	12,898
	58,945,437	61,456,984	2,511,517

This decrease of £2,500,000 does not include the railway working portion of the £418,500 gained by the deduction of 2½ per cent. from salaries, wages, and fees since August last.

Arising out of the expenditure savings which I have quoted, there are a few matters of general interest to which I should like to refer. Of course, when we have a decreased traffic we expect to spend less money, but only about 40 per cent. of expenses varies with the traffic, and the utmost we can expect in the way of economies on the lower mileage run would be less than £1,000,000.

The further reduction in expenditure is explained by lower prices of materials and by actual economies in working, which are the fruition of the effects of amalgamation and the special efforts which have been made by the officers to consolidate the undertaking; for instance, closing one workshop to concentrate in another gave a net saving of £30,000 per annum, and the re-arrangement of another £30,000 per annum. The striking increase in the availability of locomotives is seen from the figures circulated, and the rolling stock position is better than at any previous date alike as regards quantity, quality, and efficiency. There is a marked reduction in the cost of permanent way, and locomotive and carriage and wagon work. There are many contributory factors, including reduced price levels, but the multitude of these unit savings plays a material part, and the reduction of annual railway expenditure on this line, compared with the year prior to amalgamation, is over £8,000,000.

ECONOMIES OF AMALGAMATION.

You will now have some measure of the answer to a question that is often put in a derisory way—"What are the economies of amalgamation?" You are equally entitled to ask what has become of them." The answer is "They have been offset by reduced rates and charges and by a loss of traffic partly due to the effects of road competition, but largely to the effects of depression in the iron and steel and other heavy industries."

It may be asked whether the savings effected have brought the expenditure down to a level which may be regarded as a new standard, and to that, while the answer is broadly "Yes," there are a few qualifications. The most obvious of these is that of price levels, and it is hardly probable that with a revival of trade prices will not rise. With an increase of traffic that portion of the expenditure which varies with the volume will also increase, though, as I have explained, that is the lesser part of railway outlay.

On the other side, the reductions secured in 1928 were greater in the latter part of the year, and continuance of expenditure at recent levels will effect further reductions.

SUPERANNUATION AND BENEVOLENT FUNDS.

In the abstract of general charges there is an item "Superannuation and Benevolent Funds, Pensions, etc., £1,519,000." I ought to make clear that this item represents almost entirely the statutory or customary payments which have become conditions of service, and have, under the terms of the Railways Act of 1921, practically the force of statute. At a time when retrenchments are being undertaken, it is inevitable that this outlay should be heavy, and it must be regarded as consequential on the reductions in the salaries and wages bill. For the last two years an analysis of this expenditure shows:—

	1928. £	1927. £	Increase or (Decrease) £
Contributions to—Superannuation Fund	1,052,000	1,048,000	16,000
Other Benevolent Funds ...	309,000	313,000	4,000
Direct payments of gratuities and pensions..	178,000	129,000	49,000
	£1,519,000	£1,490,000	£29,000

The first two items are specific legal obligations, and the third, which alone shows an increase, is mainly in respect of semi-legal requirements, which were abnormal in 1928 owing to the retrenchments mentioned.

Attention is also directed to the reduction of £212,000 in "Rates." Railway profits form the basis of the local valuations, and the reductions of these profits in recent years have their correlative, though delayed, effect on the rates paid. Certain critics of railways who were silent when the railway valuations were ascending now dislike the profits system of valuation, particularly when profits are made on the road instead of the rail, for then they cease to be rated. This loss of rates falls on the general ratepayer and not on the road user.

RAILWAY NET RECEIPTS.

The net effect of the loss of traffic receipts and the reduction in working expenses before reckoning the 2½ per cent. salaries and wages deduction of £418,500, is a reduction in the profit of £1,435,000, or 36 per cent. of the gross loss.

OTHER BUSINESSES—NET RECEIPTS. COLLECTION AND DELIVERY.

For the first time a separate account of collection and delivery is available, and it will be seen that, regarded as a separate business, there is a debit balance of £716,000 for the year 1928. This is not really a loss for economy accrues to the Company out of these services. The steady clearance of the goods depots by the Company's vehicles and the corresponding collection of inwards traffic enables the depot accommodation to be used with the utmost economy. Were it not for this, the existing accommodation would be most inadequate, and we should be obliged to spend large sums in providing additional wagons, sidings, and depots, and in operating expenses. At present the same wagons run daily between, say, London and Birmingham, but that could not be done if each trader collected or delivered his own traffic and took full advantage of the time we are required to allow him to do so.

The position is not dissimilar to that of the Post Office, and anyone can imagine the great additions which would be necessary to the post offices and their staffs if each customer called for his letters and parcels.

DOCKS.

The loss of £127,000 on Dock Working reflects the depressed state of the coal industry. The Company's docks at Garston, Grangemouth, and Ayr, handle 70 per cent. of our total dock tonnage and are provided mainly for coal traffic.

HOTELS AND CATERING.

This Account continues to show a healthy condition, and the extension of the refreshment car services on excursion and ordinary trains has a further value in obtaining passenger traffic. Special attention has been directed to the improvement of hotels in Scotland, and the policy was threefold—to provide attractive accommodation for holiday purposes and for visitors from abroad as part of the "Come to Britain" movement; to obtain railway revenue from visitors; and, of course, hotel profits. The hotels at Gleneagles and Turnberry in particular have raised the prestige of British hotel-keeping all over the world.

STEAMBOATS.

The improvement of £36,000 in the net receipts from Steamboats is satisfactory, and the result is the best yet experienced, notwithstanding a reduction on the Goole and Continental services. The Irish traffic was appreciably better, but the chief factor was the fusion of the fleetwood and Heysham services with Belfast, made possible through the amalgamation. Moreover, the fact that the steamers on each service were nearing the end of their useful life for the Belfast traffic made a close investigation imperative, and it was decided to concentrate the traffic upon Heysham and construct larger vessels of the most modern type to carry the Irish traffic of both English ports. It was not without much thought that the Fleetwood service run for over 50 years was transferred, the risk of altering a well established service being evident, but the dominating factors were the greater suitability of Heysham for direct transfer of passengers between rail and boat, and the greater capacity for extension, and the economy of the concentration. The economies anticipated are being fully realised, and there has, in addition, been an increase in the gross traffic. At the same time we are improving the position at Fleetwood by concentrating further efforts and expenditure on the development of other traffic, particularly fish.

NET REVENUE.

The total net revenue amounts to £16,271,000 and in the circumstances the decrease compared with 1927 of ..... £1,040,000 is not discouraging.

It falls short of the standard contemplated by the Railways Act, 1921, by ..... £4,056,000 the present figure of standard revenue being £20,327,000

The position falls to be reviewed by the Railway Rates Tribunal in the next couple of months.

The actual results of the year and those contemplated by the Act of 1921 may be summarised thus:—

	1928 Net Revenue.	Standard Revenue.
Per cent. of total capital receipts	3.80	4.75
Per cent. of ordinary capital after meeting all pre-ordinary interest and dividends	3.61	7.67

You will see, therefore, that a reduction of the net revenue below the standard by about 20 per cent. reduces by over 50 per cent. the Ordinary stockholders' proportion of the standard revenue.

There has been a revival of the request for the publication of net revenue figures at monthly periods.

While this further representation has been given full consideration, it serves to confirm the opinion of your Board that taking a wide view of the general interest, the advantages of that course are largely illusory and counterbalanced by the serious difficulties and certainty of misunderstanding involved.

The publication of gross figures has always been a valuable branch of national statistics giving general information as to the course of trade. They were never intended to be the organ of the day by day market valuation of railway stocks, and I know of no practical method which would serve that purpose satisfactorily.

BALANCE SHEET.

The amounts held by the company in respect of the staff superannuation and pension funds and savings bank have increased by £1,189,000 to £32,199,000, and on the other side of the balance sheet it will be seen that the cash and liquid resources amount to the substantial sum of £31,078,000, there being a reduction of £612,078 on the year.

GENERAL TOPICS.

Turning now from the accounts of the past year, I should like to speak upon a few general topics, the first being the fruition of improved methods. These relate to the quantity and maintenance of plant, widening of tracks, working of terminals, shunting, and marshalling of trains, to which special attention has been directed.

The "Royal Scot" type of locomotive has been so successful that experiments with higher boiler pressure will be undertaken this year, and for this purpose the company are having built in this country a locomotive on the Schmidt-Henschel principle, using steam at 850 lbs. pressure. This system has been very fully tried out abroad, and it is hoped that the tests under L. M. S. conditions will give very valuable information. A number of "Sentinel Cammell" steam coaches, which are employed chiefly on certain Scottish branches and local services, will it is hoped prove useful and economical; the results are being carefully watched. In view of the improvements made in internal combustion engines using heavy oil, experiments are being made on a section of the line with a short train driven by a "Beardmore Diesel" engine with electrical transmission. The preliminary results are promising. We have also being experimenting in a number of other directions—for example, the "Ljungstrom" and the "Garratt" types of locomotive—and the whole of the arrangements for scientific research and experimentation in all directions are undergoing complete overhaul.

AN IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT.

The use of containers for merchandise traffic is proving of great advantage in giving a door to door service with the minimum of handling. In December, 1927—the first month after the acknowledged establishment of the container—1,168 container loads were despatched from our stations; for December, 1928, this had grown to 2,273 loads, the revenue therefrom having increased four and a half times to upwards of £10,000. Even yet we are scarcely beyond the initial stages of this development, which is opening up several new phases, such as the minimisation of breakages hitherto common with brittle goods by railway, and the year 1929 promises greater progress. On the completion of further orders placed our total stock of containers will be over 1,300.

There have also been extensions of the railhead distribution system, while comprehensive schemes for linking up by road outlying districts with railway centres are being introduced.

ADMINISTRATION.

We much regret the death of Mr. R. M. Wilson, who was a member of our Scottish Committee, the amalgamating line, and of formerly a member of the Highland Railway Board. It has not been considered necessary to fill the vacancy. Mr. S. H. Hunt, Vice-President, retired at the end of 1928, after valuable services with the former London and North-Western Railway Company and the Amalgamated Company, extending over forty-six years. Mr. F. G. Evans, formerly the Secretary, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Hunt as Vice-President, and Mr. O. Glynne Roberts has succeeded Mr. Evans as Secretary.

DE-RATING.

The Government, as part of their Local Government Reform proposals now before Parliament, have formulated a scheme under which, from 1st October next, there will be a remission of 100 per cent. of local rates paid by agriculture and 75 per cent. of local rates paid in respect of factories, workshops, coal mines, etc., railways, canals and docks. The railway undertakings thus partially de-rated are required to set apart the whole of this reduction in local rates for the payment of rebates to certain specified traffics, and from 1st December, 1928, these rebates have been anticipated by payments out of moneys voted by Parliament. The experiment is one which will be watched with close interest, and if it succeeds in permanently stimulating the industries concerned, it is bound to assist railway revenues. Only in that indirect way, however, will the railways be affected, as no portion of the reduction in local rates will accrue to them in relief of their expenditure.

STATE OF TRADE.

In the directors' report for 1927 it was thought desirable to point out that there were no strong indications that the heavy trades were improving materially. The course of trade in 1928 was, in fact, even worse than appeared probable a year ago, and particularly from March to August the freight traffic receipts were extremely bad. Since August there has been, not an increase, but a progressive reduction in the rate of decrease, and it is hoped that this tendency will continue. It is most marked in the raw materials traffic which would first reflect improved trade, and if the next few months continue to show increasing minerals traffic we can count on having passed the worst period. To some extent the loss is attributable, directly or indirectly, to the extension of road competition. While there are obvious difficulties in examining the several hundred million transactions of the company in one year and deciding the relative effect upon them of the competing roadways and of the state of trade, it is clear that the loss owing to the former cause is important.

We often make it clear that our objection is to the levy upon the general body of rate and taxpayers in aid of one form of commercial transport—(hear, hear)—but our opponents distort the objection by narrowing it down to the amount of local rates paid by the railways for current highway expenditure—roughly "a mere £1,600,000" to them. If the Government started a newspaper and gave it assistance from public funds other privately-owned newspapers would, obviously, have a grievance, but their owners would hardly agree to measure their disability by the proportion of the subsidy paid out of their pockets, or be re-assured by a grudging assent that they also could buy copies of the State-backed paper.

The railway case so often stated is:—

(1) Motor traffic does not bear its economic costs—(hear, hear)—
(2) Commercial motor traffic does not bear its fair share of the charges paid by motor users and is, therefore, doubly subsidised;
(3) The public generally bear the subsidy, though the private car may assist, and the railway companies' share in that public burden is a less important point.

The attention of the stockholders is again directed to this disability, which the new road powers have only partially relieved, because its national importance is often overlooked, and while the directors will continue to urge their views upon the Government, it is a matter in which the stockholders can aid in securing equitable treatment.

The position of road competition in this country is not unique, though it is, perhaps, more aggravated than in those European countries where the State concern with railways is not merely to regulate them. The United States position is more comparable and there, with immense national prosperity, the railways are suffering severely from the same cause. In 1923 their passenger traffic was the lowest for 20 years and it has fallen by one-third since the peak year, 1920, a loss worse than ours in proportion. Passengers can now travel from New York to San Francisco by omnibus, there being two services starting from each end daily. (Laughter.) But, as in this country, the real loss is in short-distance traffic, though in regard to goods traffic the prosperity of trade with the high proportion of long hauls in the United States has obscured the loss in the total figures. It is, however, quite clear in practice since, for example, virtually the whole of the freight traffic previously carried between New York and Philadelphia is now on the road. To regain this traffic, the American companies are now adopting collection and delivery methods similar to those in operation here. In other respects the American problem is akin to ours and one question already receiving attention is to what extent the railway companies can abandon unprofitable sections and transfer the traffic to the roadways.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON TRANSPORT.

A short time ago the Government appointed a Royal Commission with very wide terms of reference to report upon transport questions. The investigations will doubtless take a considerable time, but I understand it is intended to issue an interim report on road transport, and the views of the railway companies on these particular aspects were recently submitted, the evidence being given, for the railway companies, by Mr. Thornhill, our chief legal adviser, and myself. We laid emphasis upon (a) the community of interests established by the Railways Act, 1921, between the railway companies and the public and traders of the country; (b) the difficulties which rail transport has in meeting the competition of unregulated and subsidised road transport; (c) the adverse effects upon the railway industry; (d) the repercussions upon the public and the traders, particularly the heavy industries which must depend in a great measure upon the railways for their transport requirements, and (e) the need for regulating road transport and making it carry—as rail transport does—the burden of its economic costs. It was urged that the adoption of a policy on these lines is not only justified from the point of view of fair treatment to our own State-regulated and self-supporting industry, but is one which would influence effective co-ordination of rail and road transport and the giving of the most efficient national transport services at the least economic cost.

ROAD POWERS.

As you know, our application for road powers last year met with a better fate than that the old L. and N.W. and Midland Companies in 1922, but we had to meet strenuous opposition during the passage of our bill, the struggle before the Select Committee lasting no less than 37 days. It became law in the autumn, and we immediately attacked the question as to the best way in which we could use our new powers.

Investigations confirmed the view that it should be our first policy to co-operate with existing road transport undertakings to the greatest possible extent consistent with our own and the public interest, and our officers fully appreciate the necessity for exploring every reasonable alternative before putting forward proposals involving heavy capital expenditure upon road transport equipment to compete with existing undertakings, possibly with large initial losses, and with the inevitable result that the congestion upon the roads would be intensified. The cost of upkeep of roads increased, and our contributions for such upkeep greater. But your board is determined that the company shall, in one way or another, share in the road business. (Applause.)

As to the progress made, and dealing first with the passenger side, active negotiations are proceeding with the road transport undertakings over the whole of our area, both municipal and independent; arrangements have been made with certain Corporations, and negotiations with others are in various stages towards—we hope—equally promising results. You will all see the reason why I cannot be more explicit on this point. (Hear, hear.)

As to goods traffic, our first policy is to utilise to the full our existing assets and convey goods by rail where this is possible and convenient, but where the traffic can better be taken on the road, and the rail facilities are either inadequate or inappropriate, we intend to develop that traffic on the road wherever it can yield us a profit.

THIRD CLASS SLEEPING CARS.

Specially designed third class carriages capable of being used either for day traffic or for sleeping purposes at night were introduced in September.

This new facility has been extensively used and, although until there is experience of summer traffic any expression of opinion regarding its ultimate value must be provisional, the revenue earned has so far well justified their introduction.

WESTERN HIGHLANDS AND ISLANDS TRANSPORT SERVICES.

During the summer your directors had to deal with a situation of some difficulty in the Western Highlands. The arrangements between the Government and the steamship company which for years had carried on the mail and general services had broken down, and a Select Committee of the House of Commons had been unsuccessful in getting any substituted proposals until Coast Lines, Ltd., stated that they would be willing to submit a scheme if the railways would participate. While in the ordinary course as a commercial proposition we should not have been attracted by the prospects in this area, we felt that the presence of our terminal facilities upon the coast line gave us a position of some responsibility on grounds of public policy, and if our proprietors were reasonably secured against actual loss it was our duty to do all we could from a national point of view to prevent a serious situation arising in that area. Accordingly we agreed to be interested equally with Coast Lines, Ltd., in a new company which has taken over the fleet of the old company and entered into a contract with the Government. Under these arrangements with the Government we believe that we shall secure a return throughout the contract of 6 per cent. upon our investment, any surplus above this being divided between the company and the Government in relief of their payments.

At the same time the arrangements have included an immediate reduction of rates in that area, and although we are not optimistic as to the extent to which such reduction will stimulate traffic, we believe that everything reasonable that can be done for these isolated parts of the kingdom is now assured. The new company is not a statutory company, and has air powers which may in course of time be useful in the development of some of the services.

TILBURY AND DUNKERQUE SERVICE.

The great industrial North has long felt the need of an independent outlet to the Continent, and this was facilitated by the Nord Railway of France by means of an agreement with them and an independent French shipping company for a service between Tilbury and Dunkerque.

A nightly service in each direction was inaugurated in May, 1927, and this enables business men on both sides of the Channel to economise their time by travelling entirely out of business hours.

Taking into account the time usually required to develop a new service of this kind, the results attained so far, may be regarded as satisfactory. It is interesting to note that during the first seven months of the operation of the service over 38,000 passengers were carried, and that in the corresponding period of last year over 60,000 passengers used the route. The figures of parcels and mail show an even more gratifying result. The general cargoes, too, with the Midlands, have shown an upward trend.

The steamers berth alongside the trains on each side of the Channel, and in the very severe conditions prevailing this winter the services have been maintained with the utmost regularity.

The route is undoubtedly increasing in popularity, and we are confidently looking forward to still better results from this venture.

STAFF CO-OPERATION.

Twelve months ago I spoke at some length on the growing disposition of the two parties actively concerned in our great industries to approach closer together in consultation and concerted effort, with the object of advancing our mutual interests. I also explained in some detail the co-operation scheme just previously launched on our own railway.

Though much of interest and encouragement might be said to-day about the development of that movement generally, and on our railway in particular, I cannot take up much of your time with that theme, but I think I ought to tell you this much, that the leaven of good-will and helpfulness lodged in the minds of our officers and men a year ago is quietly but surely spreading, and is working with pronounced effectiveness. (Hear, hear.) I will content myself by saying without details that, having carefully watched the progress of the movement, I have reached the very definite conviction that a substantial advance has been made along right lines, and that a continuance of these friendly co-operative activities will add materially to the satisfactory and successful working of this great railway undertaking.

TRADE UNION AGREEMENT.

I must make a special reference here to the agreement we were able to reach in July last with the Trade Union leaders, by which they undertook that railway employees should contribute to the heavy losses suffered by the companies a sum of 2½ per cent. of their total earnings. That deduction is also being made from the pay of all the officers, as well as from the earnings of other ranks who were not represented by the Trade Unions in the negotiations. By these arrangements, the railways will receive assistance at the rate of just under £3,000,000 a year, the share of this company being rather more than £1,000,000. It would, of course, be an unpardonable ignorance of human nature to suggest that this deduction from earnings was welcomed by anybody who had to make the surrender, but it will be on record in railway history to the enduring credit of all concerned that the judgment and foresight of the Trade Union leaders prompted them to negotiate such a settlement, and that their constituents loyally acquiesced in the action of their leaders. (Applause.)

The spirit of co-operation which has been in evidence on the railways cannot, perhaps, be quoted as the foundation or the inspiration of this wage agreement; but it would be less than justice not to acknowledge the undoubted influence of that new spirit in making possible an arrangement so unprecedented in scope and character. (Applause.)

Having reviewed the salient points on the accounts in your possession and dealt in as brief a manner as possible with conditions and affairs affecting your undertaking, I ought to tell you that looking at the year 1928 as a whole it has been one of extreme difficulty for your officers. The first day of the year was the "appointed day," fixed by the Railways Rates Tribunal for the first standard charges and the relevant exceptional rates sanctioned under the provisions of the Railways Act, 1921, were to operate. These charges were aimed at producing the standard revenue already referred to; but, as events turned out, a more difficult year in which to realise that end it would be hard to imagine.

The factors which have made the task of securing the standard revenue quite impossible have already been mentioned—extraordinary trade depression with one resultant—an abnormal unemployment figure and the privileged competition which is maintained against us and our inability, by reason of our legislative regulation, to combat it effectually.

The weather during the holiday season was such that, had normal circumstances obtained, we should have had a very successful year of passenger traffic, and yet it has been impossible to secure a shilling further than the results placed before you.

On the other hand, the efforts of the officers and their staffs have been directed to obtaining the utmost revenue possible from old and new sources. Everyone is keenly alive to the necessity of adequately serving the travelling public and the trading community. Our organisation has been consolidated, improvements have been effected in rolling stock equipment and accommodation for dealing with traffic, and many of the provisions made in previous years are now realising the results for which expenditure was incurred; otherwise the economies which have been made could not possibly have been achieved. Given an increase in trade, we are fully prepared for successfully dealing with a greater volume of business.

REGRETTABLE ACCIDENTS.

Regrettable accidents in the closing months of 1928 and in the early period of the current year resulted in a loss of life which we greatly deplore, and these events call for my comment. I can assure the proprietors that the provision of improved safety appliances receives our constant attention, and every reasonable opportunity is taken of adopting the latest developments where, after examination by the officers, they are found to be desirable in the interests of safety on the railway: a very large sum has been expended during the past fifteen years with the aim of directly or indirectly improving the safety of the line, and to prevent accidents happening. We are also not without anxiety to secure that if accidents should unfortunately occur, their consequences shall be minimised.

A great deal of attention has been directed to the gas lighting of trains. The proprietors will be interested to learn that all new stock built or purchased for many years back is electrically lighted, and the elimination of gas light fittings has been expedited by the conversion to electric light of vehicles which still have a substantial period of usefulness, and by the extensive building of new carriages, a policy which is being continued. At the present time less than one-quarter of the stock employed in the main line services is fitted with gas lighting; the bulk of gas lighted stock is in use on local services or held in reserve for peak traffic or holiday periods.

A further step towards ensuring safety of passengers when travel has been taken by the construction of vehicles in steel. When an existing order for construction has been completed, we shall have upwards of 500 vehicles constructed wholly of steel—for many years past we have used only steel under-frames for carriage stock.

In all the circumstances of this difficult year, the net results, moderate as they are, can, I think, be regarded as satisfactory.

Ladies and gentlemen, I now beg to move "That the report now read, with the statement of accounts, be received and adopted."

I shall ask the Deputy Chairman to second that resolution, and then I shall be pleased to hear any comments which shareholders may desire to make.

Mr. Edward Brocklehurst Fielden, M.P., seconded the motion, which, after some discussion, was agreed to unanimously.

The dividend, as recommended, was declared; the retiring directors and auditor re-elected, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and directors.

DUBLIN MANSION HOUSE COAL FUND.

The Committee of Dublin Mansion House Coal Fund met last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Maud Walsh presided. Also present—The Rev. W. J. McCreery, B.D.; Senator Alfred Byrne, William Field, and Sir John Irwin and J. J. Nagle, Honorary Secretaries. An apology was received from the Rev. Dr. Denham Osborne.

A detailed statement was submitted concerning the distribution of the generous grant of firewood made by Messrs. Packingcases (Dublin), Ltd., together with an account showing the cost of carting and delivery, which was considered very satisfactory, and the action of the Honorary Secretaries was approved.

The Committee expressed their sincere thanks to the donors of this firewood for having supplied a larger quantity than originally offered, which resulted in a distribution among the poor of 816 sacks of excellent fuel.

The Rev. Mr. McCreery stated that he had received numerous testimonials from his parishioners concerning the dryness and suitability of the wood supplied. The Chairman also testified to the gratitude of the various organisations which assisted the Committee.

The Committee desired to again appeal to the charitable public for a substantial increase in subscriptions to enable them to, in some measure, alleviate the sufferings of the poor during the present severe season, due to the cold weather, sickness and unemployment.

The following grants of coal were unanimously approved—viz.,

St. Vincent de Paul Society	75 Tons.
Sick and Indigent Roomkeepers' Society..	10 ,,
Dublin Parochial Association	10 ,,
Presbyterian and other denominations ...	5 ,,
Auxiliary Bodies	5 ,,
	105 Tons.

Further subscriptions announced:—

"S. K."	£5	0	0
G. Dick, Belsito Lodge	2	0	0
Mrs. Blackley and Miss Gibson	1	0	0
A. O'Halloran	1	0	0

AUCTION SALES.

MESSRS. BATTERSBY AND CO.

On Thursday next at 2.30 o'clock, Messrs. Battersby will hold their next property sale. Included in the list are:—"South Hill," Blackrock, detached residence on the Mount Merrion avenue, standing on about 13 acres; "Ardfallan," Dalkey, detached residence on over an acre; the old-established victualling business, "O'Neill's," Ltd. (formerly "Roe's"), 26 Castle street, Dalkey, as a going concern; 10 Garville avenue, Rathgar; 23 Vernon street, South Circular road. Clear possession of all the foregoing will be given to purchasers. On the same date Messrs. Battersby will offer an absolute reversionary legacy of £500. Full particulars will be found in our auction columns.

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—To-day: 10. Psalm 9. Te Deum, Ill.: Jubilate, 38. Hymn, 331. 4. Magn., N. Dim., Nares in F. Anthem, "Blessing and glory." Boyce, 68. To-morrow: 8. Holy Communion, and 9.15 in Irish. 11.15. Matins. Psalms, 150 and 143 (vv. 1-11). Te Deum, Jubilate, Mercer in E flat. Anthem, "Oh! let me not stray." Wesley. Hymn 701. "My song shall be of Jesus." Preacher, the Rev. Lockett Ford, M.A., Prebendary of Yagoe. 12.15, Holy Communion (Choral). Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus, Gloria, Stanford in G. Offertory: 1, Stainer. 3.15. Psalms 1, 6, 13. Magn. N. Dim., Stainforth in D. 1st Anthem, "Remember not, Lord." Purcell. Hymn 544. "Rock of ages." 2nd Anthem, "By Thy glorious death." Evensg. Preacher, the Rev. A. Lockett Ford, M.A., Prebendary of Yagoe. Concluding Voluntary—March: Funebre and Chant Saraphique, Guilmant.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.—11. Matins. Processional Hymn, 456. Psalms, 15. Ure Portiuncula. Wearing in D. Benedictus, King Hall in B flat. Introit, "Jesu, Word of God." Messe, 11.40. Holy Communion, Brewer in F. Preacher, Rev. Precentor Lewis-Crosby, B.D. Hymns 351, 226, 330. Evensong. Processional Hymn, 460. Magn. and Nunc D., King Hall in B flat. Psalms 1, 6, 11. Anthem, "Gallia." Gounod. Preacher, Rev. J. Tobias, B.D. Hymn, 169. Recessional Hymn, 421.

CHAPEL OF TRINITY COLLEGE.—8, Holy Communion. 9.45, Morning Prayer. Service, Ireland in F. Anthem, "How Thine ear." Byrd. Preacher, Rev. T. A. Harvey, B.D.

COLLEGE OF ST. COLUMBA.—11.30. Te Deum, Dykes in F; Benedictus, Read in D. Anthem, "Turn Thy face from my sins." Attwood. Preacher, Rev. the Warden. 7.30, Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Goss in A. Anthem, "Incline Thine ear." Himmel.

ST. MATTHIAS'S PARISH CHURCH.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer. Preacher at both Services, Canon Strong.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, Rathmines.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30, Rev. W. N. Harvey. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. J. Tobias.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH.—8, Holy Communion. 11, Matins. Benedicite and Benedictus, Stainer; Rev. C. Simpson. Surrge. Eucharist, Merbecke. At the Offertory: "Behold the Lamb of God." 3.30, Young People's Service. Evensong and Litany. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Garrett in F. Final Hymn, "Jesu, Lover of my Soul." Rev. Canon Drury.

CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Dr. A. A. Luca. 3.30, Rev. N. H. Hamilton. 7, Rev. ——.

ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH, Ranelagh.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. N. H. Hamilton. 7, Rev. A. E. Hughes.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion: Rev. R. Northridge. 3.30, Mr. F. D. Darling. 7, Mr. L. H. Price.

ST. STEPHEN'S.—7.15-8, Holy Communion. Confirmation Communion at 8 for the Youth Service Leaders. 11, Matins and Sermon. 3.30, Children's Service and Holy Communion. To Deum, Martin in D. Benedictus, Chant. Hymns, 709, 566, 549. 4, Children's Service. 6.40, Congregational Singing. 7, Evensong and Sermon. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis (Chant). Anthem, "God so loved the world." Stainer. Hymns, 587 and 702. Short Organ Recital after Evensong.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH.—8, 10 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Canon Crozier. 3.30, Children's Service. Canon Crozier.

MAGDALEN CHURCH.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. R. Bird. 7, Rev. J. F. Mecredy, Cox.

ST. JAMES'S PARISH CHURCH.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. J. E. L. Oulton. 7, Rev. J. H. Yates.

ST. JAMES'S DISTRICT CHURCH.—11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. J. H. Yates. 7, Rev. E. M. Bateman.

ST. CATHERINE'S.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Purser Shortt. 7, Evening Prayer.

VICTOR'S.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 4, Young People's Service. Rev. J. Purser Shortt.

MISSION TO THE DEAF.—The Gregg Hall.—3.30, Rev. F. A. Elliott.

ST. PETER'S, Aungier street.—8 and 11.30,

NAAS.

TO-DAY'S SELECT

With upwards of seventy hors… orders to meet their engage… prospects for to-day at N… mising. The meeting may … the end of the "off" … beginning of a new campaig… tunity thus afforded racegoe… acquaintance with their favou… no doubt, be largely availed o… entry obtained for the fixture … there is no scarcity of jum… country, and it is satisfactory to … strong representation in the mai… chase and the maiden hurdle r… certainly an attractive program… proceedings promise to be ver… A special train leaves Kin… o'clock and returns at 5.20. … tions:—

Robertstown Plate—Nell G…
Kildare Plate—Mustard Cl…
Reilly.
Osberstown Plate—Duratol.
Naas Plate—Prudent To…
Partol.
Halverstown Plate—Innisi…

3.0—ROBERTSTOWN PLATE, landscap hurdle race.

KILDARRA BOY (Mrs. M. Dawson) …
PRIORY WOOD (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) …
TIRANOGUE (Mr. W. W. Ashe) …
SUN FLAME (Mr. M. Arnott) …
MINNETONKA (Mr. J. Sheil) …
SOUVENANCE (Mr. G. Beehy) …
AVERAGE (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) …
LAUDAMUS (Mr. E. J. Kiersey) …
GOLDEN BALL (Mr. A. Lowry) …
GAMEFELLOW (Mr. J. J. O'Donoghue) …
BATTLE BRIDGE (Mr. John Doyle) …
JURAT (Mr. A. Lowry) …
NELL GWYNNE (Mr. J. Hunter) …
LONG TRECK (Mr. C. Blackmore) …
DOUANIER (Mr. A. J. McNamara) …
NEDLOG (Mr. P. Burke) …
KOSCIE'S STAR (Mr. H. C. McNally) …
GOOD THING (Mr. C. Blackmore) …
LORD BURDON (Mr. C. Fagan) …
WILD NANCY (Mr. P. J. Hearne) …
SPARE TIME (Mr. A. Lowry) …
HYSTERICS (Mr. J. P. O'Donnell) …
BANTAM (Mr. J. T. Wilson) …
GROSVENOR HAPPY BOY (Mr. J. …
Parkinson) …
MAIDEN BEAG (Mr. J. Carroll) J. Kirwan …

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OILS ACTIVE AND ST…

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Quiet conditions ruled … section, but quotations were … held, though the few alterations … against holders. Foreign Govern… also experienced a lean session. … quotations showed little change. …
night levels. Idle… Home Rails, with Midland … Ord. easing further. … Rails, on the other hand, … firmer tendency, with Cana… San Paulo each 2 points up.

In the Industrial sections, … lower in several instances. Tal… on the other hand, marked fur… meats here and there, while Mo… gained support at firmer level. …

On the other hand, remained dull … being current in Rubber … taration may be imposed on … Among Miscellaneous Industri… continued firm and …

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BY DOCKRELL LIMITED.

…UCTION, WEDNESDAY, 13TH MARCH,

…DGE, COMPRISING SOME GOOD ITEMS OF

…N AND ANTIQUE FURNITURE,

…ideboard, Antique Mahogany Cylindrical-top Writing Desk, Antique …e Armchair, 4 Antique Mahogany Shield-back Hall Chairs, Mahogany … with brass dial, in mahogany case; Antique Mahogany Press, with … sunday Circular 4-tier, Revolving Bookcase, Walnut and Mahogany … Brass-mounted Bureau, Inlaid Mahogany Cupboard, French Brass … Mahogany-framed Dining Chairs, suite Sheffield Candlesticks, Carved … Persian Occasional Tables, oil Paintings, Birch Writing Table, Brass… Mahogany Wardrobe, do. Chest of Drawers, Birch Bedroom Suite, … Kitchen Furniture, Portmanteaus, Lawn Mower, Garden Tools, …

…UCTION, THURSDAY, 21ST MARCH,

…PPER LIFFEY STREET.

… shop, with double window and large stores at rear, total depth being … 4 rooms overhead, 2 w.c.'s. The premises are situated in a good … under lease dated 7th December, 1916, for a term of 99 years from the … to the annual rent of £19. …spected at any time by application to the Auctioneers.

Messrs. SMYTH and SON, Solicitors, 41 Lawrence street, Dundalk.

…SALE, THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1929,

…O'CONNELL STREET, DUBLIN.

…BUILDING SITES FOR SALE.

…e Commissioners for the City of Dublin to offer for SALE BY PUBLIC … ms, three valuable Sites in the best position in this magnificent … per positions.

…per O'Connell street and Cathedral street, and was formerly occupied … Co. and the Hibernian Bible Society. The plot is rectangular, … in the rear 48ft., and in depth from front to rear along Cathedral … attached an ex gratia grant of £16,323 (plus 10 per cent. thereof in … 955 6/, subject to the premises being rebuilt.

…Upper O'Connell street and Gloucester street, and contains a measure… …e rear on Thomas lane, 56ft., and in depth from front to rear along … site attached an ex gratia grant of £8,000 (plus 10 per cent. thereof … 3 7/1; total, £8,105 13/11.

…Gloucester street and Marlborough street, and contains a frontage … street of 57ft. 6ins., at the rear in Thomas lane 59ft., and in depth … aster street, as widened, 175ft. No ex gratia grant is attached to …

…and C will be offered for sale in one lot. If not sold as one they …

…and completed on the sites within two years from confirmation of the …th the requirements of the City Architect as to design, height of frontage, …e external walls visible from the street in accordance with the pro… …lan Reconstruction (Emergency Provisional) Act, 1924.

…ntical street in Dublin, and the main artery from North to South, … in Europe, and from it radiate some of the best shopping streets in … have been erected in the street, and others are in course of erection. …importance of the thoroughfare as a business centre, this street has …ge paving.

…and office building which contains the headquarters of the Irish … new buildings of Sir James W. Mackey, LL.D., and the Gresham … new street made by the Corporation continuing Gloucester street … et has become a main artery for the traffic from the North-East …

…sale midway in O'Connell street, and adjacent to the sites offered … of the city, from which practically all the tram services in Dublin … the near vicinity.

…special attention to these fine sites, which are now the only ones … street is improving steadily in value and importance.

…nditions of Sale, with maps and photographs, apply to the Town … all, Dublin, or to the Auctioneers.

…LIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

AUCTION ABOUT MIDDLE OF MARCH AT

…HTON ROAD, RATHGAR.

…RELL LIMITED.

…IONEERS AND VALUERS, M.I.A.A.

…REAT GEORGE'S STREET, DUBLIN.

…H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

…TUESDAY, 12TH MARCH.

…PORTANT SALE OF WELL-SECURED

…S OUT OF CITY PROPERTY.

6D. PER ANNUM FEE-FARM ADJUSTED RENT, payable out of Leaders Park Mills, Harold's Cross, and about four acres fronting to Building Ground, held in fee-simple. The rent is payable under Fee-farm Grant dated 1st May, 1855.

7D. PER ANNUM WELL-SECURED PROFIT RENT, arising out of the Premises, 1a and 5 to 19 Ashton street, 2, 3, 4 and 5 St. Patrick's Place, 1, 2, 3, 4 St. John's Place, 1, 2, 3 St. Michael's Place, No. 7 St. Laurence Place, and No. 36 Upper Ormond Quay, held with part of Lot 3, and other property under lease dated 7th July, 1870, for 999 years from 1st March, 1870, subject to the reduced rent of £89 4s. 3d., less £9 18s. 0d. deduction for long terms, at rents amounting to £158 17s. 6d, firmer tendency, with Canadian Sale, showing a net profit rent of £66 13s. 7d. well-secured. Poor Law Valuation, £1,…

1D. PER ANNUM, being a rent of £18 per annum, less 16s. Poor Rate allowance, payable out of the business premises No. 10 Upper Ormond Quay, held under a lease for 99 years, from 29th September, 1885. Premises are held partly under lease dated 1st March, 1870, for 999 years, at £3 per annum, and partly under Fee-farm Grant, but will be sold unqualified against tenant's covenant support at firmer level.

1D. PER ANNUM, payable out of valuable City Premises, 16 Westmoreland street, held under Fee-farm Grant, subject to rent of £2 12s. 0d., and sublet under Fee-farm Grant at adjusted rent of £108 16s. 1d. Poor Law Valuation £321. A sound security.

Messrs. MAXWELL, WELDON & CO., Solicitors, 15 Eden Quay.

SANDYMOUNT (OFF STRAND ROAD).

SEMI-DETACHED HOUSE, choicely situated, with open outlook … ATTRACTIVE NON-BAT… firm … Rubber … house, in excellent order. Drawingroom, bay window; dining-room, … kitchen, scullery (hot and cold water), bath, basin, and w.c.; … side entrance is not enough for garage. Clear possession. Held … 1925, subject to the yearly rent of £6. … good … ROBERT G. WARREN, Solicitor, 9 Eustace street.

JAMES … ORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS,

… RAFTON STREET.

… FINE ARTS.

…NETT & SON, LIMITED, M.I.A.A., beg to announce that they will SELL BY AUCTION, in … their SALEROOMS, 26 UPPER ORMOND QUAY, DUBLIN, on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th, … AND FOLLOWING DAY, a COLLECTION of

OLD SILVER AND PLATED WARE,
ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE,
OLD GLASS, CHINA, BRONZES, AND CURIOS,
AND A NUMBER OF
OIL PAINTINGS.

NOTE—This Sale, previously advertised to take place on 7th inst., has been postponed, at the request of the Principal Vendor, to MARCH 20th and 21st.

A CATALOGUE WILL BE ISSUED.

BENNETT & SON, LIMITED, M.I.A.A.,

AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 6 UPPER ORMOND QUAY, DUBLIN.

MONDAY, MARCH 11TH, AT 6 O'C…
MOTOR CYCLES & BICYCLES
AND TRAPS,

…IN THE DIVISIONAL AUCTION ROOMS, …MERCHANTS' QUAY (opposite Four Courts).

…SALE BY AUCTION OF … MOTOR CYCLES AND BICYCLES, from

THE WINETAVERN STREET
PAWN OFFICE,

…Consisting …Dozen of MOTOR BIKES: NORTON, TRIUMPHS, BUDGE, FRANCIS BARNETT, &c.; … 12 LADIES' and GENT'S HIGH-GRADE BICYCLES, by all the noted makers. …The above Property will be on View at Auction Rooms all day Next Saturday, 9th, and … from 10 to hour of Sale, 6 o'clock. Sale commencing with Motor Cycles and Traps.

…L. GARLAND, AUCTIONEER & MERCHANTS' QUAY.

"TELDE," GORDON AVENUE, FOXROCK.

(OFF WESTMINSTER ROAD).

SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE & EFFECTS BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ON THURSDAY, 7th MARCH, 1929, AT 12 NOON.

MESSRS. WILLIAM MONTGOMERY & SON have been instructed to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the premises, as above, THE ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE & EFFECTS, comprising: Dining-room Table and Chairs, Sideboard, Carved Oak Fireside Settee, Chesterfield Couch, Occasional Tables and Chairs, Mahogany and Brass Inlaid Card Table, Grandfather Clock, in mahogany case; Bedding, Oak Bedroom Suite, Gent.'s Mahogany Wardrobe, Decorative China, Carpets, … 12 framed Prints, set of Hearth, "The Idle Apprentice," engraved by Cook; Table Glass and … Kitchen and Culinary Utensils, and Miscellaneous Effects.

On View Wednesday, 6th March, 1929. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

WM. MONTGOMERY & SON, M.I.A.A.,

GAINSBORO' HOUSE, 24 SUFFOLK STREET, DUBLIN.

RE SEARLE AND BULLOCK, LTD.
TO CONFECTIONERS,
ENGINEERS AND OTHERS.

MESSRS. REYNOLDS, CLEY AND SONS, F.A.I., PUBLIC AUCTIONEERS by the Receiver, to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the premises, BRIDGEFORD STREET, DEWSBURY, on WEDNESDAY, 13th … and following days, at 11 o'clock prompt … PLANT, &c., of the useful and WELL KEPT … as follows:—

REVOLVING and OSCIL… Caramel, etc., Mixers … and Melting Pans … Machines, 5 Lozenge … Bed (Low and Duff, etc.); 10 … complete Sugar Grinding In… Wrapping Machines (Ross, etc.); 2 … Cutters; 5 Vacuum Plants, … 2,000 Starch Stock, Lozenge, … 100 tons Moulding Starch, … Confectionery, etc.; 10,000 Jars, … Drop Roller Stands, and … Rolls; 5 Ball and Plastic … Mixers, 20 H. and C. Slabs … Pressure Self-feed Boiler …

The annual meeting of Brooks, … Co., Ltd., was held yesterday, … Brooks (chairman) presiding. … directors present were Messrs. T… Frank H. Warnock, A. J. Wallace, … S. Gamble.

The report and statement of … the year ended 31st January, … have been received and adopted, … declared on the Preference shares … of 8 per cent. per annum, less … and 1s. per share, less income … half-year, which, with the … per share already paid, makes … share for the year on the C… also a bonus of 9d. per share … £3,000 was added to reserve, … carried forward.

The retiring director, Mr. … was re-elected.

Messrs. Craig, Gardner and … elected auditors.

CLEARANCE SALE OF
POULTRY, RABBITS, &c.

I AM favoured with instructions by Mrs. W. Barr, to SELL BY AUCTION, at DODSBORO, LUCAN, on TUESDAY, MARCH 5th, 1929, at 12 o'clock sharp, the ENTIRE STOCK OF POULTRY and RABBITS, etc., comprising 200 White Wyandotte Pullets, 120 Pure White Wyandotte Stock Birds, 30 Aylesbury Ducks, 24 Pedigree Angora Rabbits and Hutches, Incubators, Brooders, Coops, etc.; Patent Pig Feeder, 7 h.p. Oil Engine (Blackstone), Massey-Harris Sheaf Binder, Portable Pony Gear, Albert 15.9 Touring Motor Car, Motor Cycle, 2½ Triumph, and other lots.

Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Fees.

J. N. WARDELL,

AUCTIONEER, CELBRIDGE.

MAIDEN HALL, CHARLEVILLE.

COMPACT DAIRY OR STUD FARM
BY AUCTION.

On 12th MARCH, 1 o'clock,
(By order of E. J. Holmes-Sullivan, Esq., M.D.)
Area: 77a. 1r. 15p. (statute); payment in lieu of rent under 1923 Act, £92 8s. 10d.; further reduced on resetting.

Well-built, two storey Residence, 10 apartments; full range out-offices in enclosed yard. Dairy barn and sheds. Ideal situation on Charleville-Kilmallock road, less than a mile from Charleville. Reputed the best equipped and most attractive in this district.

Conditions and particulars from
ROGER FOX, Esq., Solicitor, Kilmallock; or

J. LEENEY,
AUCTIONEER, CHARLEVILLE.

BALBRIGGAN LIVE STOCK SALES.

TUESDAY NEXT,
5th MARCH, 1929, at 12 o'clock.

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD.,
Auctioneers, Valuers and Live Stock Salesmen,
31 MANOR STREET, DUBLIN.

BATTERSBY & CO.'S SALES.

ESTABLISHED 1815.

THURSDAY NEXT, AT 2.30 O'CLOCK,
AT OUR SALEROOMS, 39 WESTMORELAND STREET
(UNLESS PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF BY PRIVATE TREATY).

B. & Co. "ARDFALLAN," DALKEY. 7TH MARCH
HANDSOME WELL-BUILT DETACHED RESIDENCE, ON ABOUT ONE ACRE, NON-BASEMENT. POSSESSION. Contains: Tiled porch and hall, large inner hall, drawingroom, diningroom, study, 5 bedrooms, bathroom (h. and c.), w.c.; heatroom, tiled kitchen, and maid's room; pleasure ground and greenhouse; motor garage; tennis court and kitchen garden.
Held for long lease, subject to £10 per annum. P.L.V., £75. Seen by appointment with Auctioneers. Photographs Auctioneers' Offices.
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or M. GOOD, LL.D., 3 Dawson street.

B. & Co. 23 VERNON STREET, S. C. ROAD. 7TH MARCH
ATTRACTIVE SMALL DWELLINGHOUSE. POSSESSION. Contains: Hall, large sithingroom, 3 bedrooms, kitchen, scullery, and small room off; small front garden and rear garden; coal house and w.c.; rear entrance.
Held for 900 years, subject to £5 per annum. P.L.V., £14. Key with Auctioneers.
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or HASTINGS DARE DRAPER, Solicitor, 5 St. Andrew St.

B. & Co. 10 GARVILLE AVENUE, RATHGAR. 7TH MARCH
COMPACT, SUBSTANTIALLY BUILT HOUSE. POSSESSION. Contains:—Drawing and dining-room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom (h. and c.), w.c.; breakfast room, kitchen, maid's room; electric light; garden; coach-house and stable (let at 6/3 per week).
Held for 850 years from 29th September, 1898, subject to the adjusted rent of £5 2s. 9d. per annum. P.L.V., £37. Key with Auctioneers.
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or HASTINGS DARE DRAPER, Solicitor, 5 St. Andrew St.

B. & Co. 26 CASTLE ST., DALKEY. 7TH MARCH
OLD-ESTABLISHED VICTUALLING BUSINESS (formerly known as "ROE'S"), AS A GOING CONCERN. Comprises good Shop and Dwellinghouse over, with separate halldoor entrance. Fine slaughterhouse and yard, with rear entrance; stabling, etc.
Held for 150 years from 29th September, 1892, subject to £15 per annum. P.L.V., £62.
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or CHARLES O'BRIEN, Solicitor, 54 Dawson street.

B. & Co. "SOUTH HILL," BLACKROCK. 7TH MARCH
WELL-BUILT RESIDENCE, STANDING ON ABOUT 15 ACRES. POSSESSION. SITUATED ON THE MOUNT MERRION AVENUE, and contains: Hall, drawingroom, diningroom, morning room, smoke room, fine billiard room; 4 family bedrooms, 2 large bathrooms, lavatories (h. and c.), separate w.c.'s; 2 maids' rooms, kitchen. An extensive range of out-offices, groom's house, and large garages; tennis court, pleasure grounds; paddock and a two-storey gate lodge; electric light and central heating throughout. Held for 25 years from 14th March, 1917, subject to £190 per annum, landlord paying all rates and taxes, except a special water rate.
Seen on Order to View from Auctioneers. Photograph Auctioneers' Offices.
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or EUGENE F. COLLINS and SON, Solicitors, 13 Eustace St.

B. & Co. £500 ABSOLUTE REVERSIONARY LEGACY. 7TH MARCH
Further particulars AUCTIONEERS, or C. J. REDDY and SON, Solicitors, 14 Westland Row.

OUR NEXT PROPERTY SALE WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE 21ST MARCH, AND WILL INCLUDE:—

9 MOUNTJOY SQUARE. POSSESSION.
FINE TOWN RESIDENCE, WITH GOOD ACCOMMODATION.
Further particulars future advertisements. SHERIDAN and KENNY, Solicitors 24 Eustace St.

WE SHALL BE GLAD TO HAVE EARLY INTIMATION FROM SOLICITORS AND OTHERS DESIRING TO INCLUDE LOTS IN THIS OR OUR OTHER FORTHCOMING SALES

FURNITURE AUCTIONS CONDUCTED AND VALUATIONS MADE ALL PARTS OF IRELAND.

BATTERSBY & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS,
39 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.
ESTABLISHED 1815.

SALE THIS DAY.
SALE THIS DAY (SATURDAY), MONDAY AND TUESDAY NEXT. HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND ATTRACTIVE THREE DAYS' SALE BY AUCTION OF
EXCELLENT MODERN FURNITURE,
FIVE PIANOFORTES, CABINET GRAMAPHONES AND EFFECTS.

MESSRS. JAMES HILL & SON will hold a VERY ATTRACTIVE AUCTION, in their Rooms, 9 and 10 BACHELOR'S WALK, on THIS DAY (SATURDAY), and on MONDAY and TUESDAY NEXT (in Continuation), at 1 o'clock precisely each day, THE FURNITURE comprises:—A handsome Grand-father Clock, in walnut case, by Dublin maker; Mahogany Louis style China Cabinets, two very fine Burr Walnut Chesfoniers, 6ft. Inlaid Rosewood China Cabinet of high-class manufacture; an Inlaid Rosewood Occasional Table and four Occasional Chairs to match; 50f. Rosewood Sofa Table, Inlaid Rosewood Chiffonier, 6ft. Sheraton Low China Sideboard, Mahogany Half-moon Table, three Mahogany Bookcases and Cabinets, a very fine 6ft. Mahogany Serpentine-front Enclosed Sideboard, with mirror back; a richly carved Black Oak Hall Stand, and four others in mahogany and walnut; Walnut 3-tier Dumb Waiter, two 6ft. Mahogany Enclosed Sideboards, with lofty mirror backs; 6ft. Oak ditto, several Mahogany and Oak Servers; Dining Tables, with extra Leaves, from 6 to 12ft. long; ten Mahogany Oval and Round Parlour Tables, on p. and c.; Sets of Mahogany Dining Chairs, 6, 8 and 12 in each; 7 and 9-piece Drawingroom Suites, upholstered in tapestry, damask, velvet, etc.; two very fine Half-stuffed Chesterfields, in tapestry and velvet; Lounge and Easy Chairs. BEDROOM FURNISHINGS including: 4ft. Mahogany Glass-door Wardrobe and Duchesse Pair, in fine condition; another 6ft. ditto and Duchesse Pair; 4ft. Satin Walnut Bedroom Suite of 3 pieces, and another 3' 6" ditto; 6ft. Mahogany 4-door Wardrobe, Dressing Tables, Wash-hand Stands, Toilet Mirrors, Chests of Drawers, Towel Rails, etc.; Double and Single sizes Bedsteads, complete with Woven Wire Springs and Curled Hair Mattresses; Bedding, etc.; a handsome old French Clock Set of 3 pieces, Marble Mantel Clocks and Ornaments, Ornamentals, Fenders, Curbs, Coal Cabinets, etc.; very fine Regulator Clock, in oak case, by Hopkins and Hopkins, as new; also a large collection of Kitchen and Dead Furniture and Culinary Utensils, Pictures, Paintings, Engravings, Silver and Plated Ware, China, Glassware, and Ornamental Effects. Purchasers pay 5 per cent. Fees.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS,
7, 8, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

ATTENTION IS PARTICULARLY CALLED TO THE SPECIALLY REDUCED SALE IN JAMES HILL & SON'S NEW AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE DEPARTMENTS, WHICH WILL BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.

PEACH & SONS, LTD.—LACE CURTAINS.

MESSRS. JAMES HILL & SON will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in their Rooms, 9 and 10 BACHELOR'S WALK, on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, MARCH 14th and 15th, 1929,

A VALUABLE CONSIGNMENT OF MESSRS. S. PEACH & SONS, NOTTINGHAM.

CURTAINS, COLOURED CASEMENTS, MUSLINS, FILET NETS, CASEMENT MATERIALS, FADELESS WINDOW FABRICS, DAMASKS, SHEETINGS, &c.

Full particulars in later Advertisements.

ON VIEW NEXT MONDAY, FROM 10 O'C. A.M. TO 6 P.M.

CARPET AUCTION.

TUESDAY NEXT, 5TH MARCH, AT 1 O'CLOCK, AT COX'S, 29 BACHELOR'S WALK, DUBLIN.

BRITISH AND ORIENTAL CARPETS AND RUGS.

Comprising:—A rare and valuable collection of Eastern Carpets and Rugs, including a Chinese Carpet, old gold and blue, 15' x 12' 6"; Antique Hamadan Carpet, Camel ground, 20' x 11'; ditto, blue ground, 17' x 8' 6"; Meshed Persian Carpet, blue and ivory, 18' 6" x 13'; Sahend Persian Carpet, blue and old rose, 20' x 13'; a Bidjar Persian Carpet, blue and old rose, 20' x 10' 6"; Super Standard Turkey Carpet, red and blue, 20' x 14' 9"; ditto, 17' 4" x 13' 6"; also over 200 lots of genuine Turkey, Anatolian, Calcutta, Ellore and Mirzapore Carpets; Anglo-Turkey, Super Wilton, Seamless Axminster and Brussels Carpets, of beautiful designs, and sizes from 6' square to about 20' x 15'; also a large variety of Rugs, Billiard Table Surrounds, Hall and Corridor Rugs, All-Wool Reversible Bedroom and Mohair Rugs, and several rolls of finest Royal Axminster and Wilton Stair Carpeting, from 18" to 36" wide, sold in lengths as required. Goods on View Monday next, March 4th. Sale commences at 1 o'clock Tuesday, 5th March. Catalogues free on application. Commissions executed. Telephone 2661.

JOHN H. COX, F.A.I., AUCTIONEER AND VALUER.

DISPOSAL AUCTION OF MOTOR VEHICLES,

AT ALDBOROUGH HOUSE, NORTH STRAND, DUBLIN,

WEDNESDAY NEXT, 6TH MARCH, AT 12 NOON.

COMPRISING: Albion 3-Ton Motor Lorry, Buick Car; Crossley Tender, 2 Peugeot Vans, Triumph Cycle Combination; B.S.A. do.; Alton Solo Motor Cycle and Spare Parts, Levis Solo Motor Cycle, 4 Cleveland Solo Motor Cycles, 25 Pedal Bicycles, etc.

Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees. Delivery day of Sale.

J. J. TORMEY, M.I.A.A., AUCTIONEER.
25 BACHELOR'S WALK.

COOLFIN, PORTLAW, CO. WATERFORD.
EXECUTORS' SALE OF
PRIME DAIRYING AND TILLAGE FARM.

Containing 186a. 3r. 15p., Statute Measure, or thereabouts.

EXCELLENT RESIDENCE AND OUT-OFFICES. Held in Fee-Simple.

JOHN D. PALMER has been instructed by the Executors of the late Mrs. Georgina M. Pope to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION,

AT THE SALEYARD, PARNELL STREET, WATERFORD,

On MONDAY NEXT, 4th MARCH (Fair Day), At 12.30 o'clock sharp

(Unless previously disposed of by Private Treaty), The excellent Residential Holding, COOLFIN, PORTLAW, situate in the Parish of Kilmacleran, Barony of Upperthird and County of Waterford, containing 186 acres 3r. 15p., Statute measure, or thereabouts. The Residence, which is two-storeyed and slated, stands well back from the main road, and is approached by avenue and flower garden and contains conservatory, porch, hall, dining and drawing rooms, 5 bedrooms, box room, bathroom, fitted hygeine bath, h. and c., and flush w.c.; kitchen fitted modern range and sink, h. and c.; large pantry and store room, fruit and vegetable garden at rear.

The farm buildings are in excellent order and repair and include cow house, with bales for 58 cows; dry stock houses for 16 cattle, calf houses, feeding house, stabling for 7 horses (5 boxes, 4 stalls); car house, bull house, 3 piggeries, cart shed, barn, flagged dairy, outside kitchen, with open fireplace and boiler; men's sleeping store and fowl houses.

The lands are in excellent condition and well known for their prime dairying qualities, and are well fenced, sheltered and watered by running stream passing through the farmyard and lands.

The lands have been cultivated and well manured.

HELD IN FEE-SIMPLE, subject to annuity payable to the Irish Land Commission of £116 0/4. Rates paid in 1928, £66 11/-.

Situate 9 miles from Waterford, 1 mile from Portlaw, 3 miles from Kilmeaden and Fiddown, both stations on the G.S. Railway, 3½ miles from Cremorgy, and close to churches and schools. This farm is undoubtedly one of the most desirable placed on the market for several years, and can be thoroughly recommended by the Auctioneer. The property has been in the Moore family for the past 80 years unchanged.

Clearance Sale of Dairy Stock, Heifers, Bullocks, Horses, etc., will be held at a later date.

Further particulars apply to
JAMES MOORE, Solicitor, Colbeck street, Waterford; or do

JOHN D. PALMER, M.I.A.A.,

Auctioneer, etc.,
CATHERINE STREET and PARNELL STREET, WATERFORD.

EVENTS IN IRELAND are fully summarised in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES," with Illustrations. Price Twopence.

DUBLIN WOOL SALES.

NEXT AUCTION,
WEDNESDAY, 10th APRIL.

Early consignments respectfully requested in order to facilitate the work of Grading and Cataloguing.

GANLY, SONS & CO.,

USHER'S QUAY, DUBLIN.

RATHMICHAEL HOUSE,
SHANKILL, CO. DUBLIN.

HASKINS BROS. have received instructions from the representative of the late Mr. Peter Kennedy TO SELL BY AUCTION,

On FRIDAY NEXT, 8th MARCH, at 2 o'clock, 6 Cows, 4 2-year-old Black Polls, 2 Polls, 6 1-year-old Bullocks and Heifers, 4 Calves, 54 Half-bred Cheviot Ewes with Lambs, and 10 Lambs, 28 Hoggets, 4 Wethers, and 1 Ram; Donkey and Cart; Hay.

HASKINS BROS.,

AUCTIONEERS WICKLOW.

BALLYFERMOT, CHAPELIZOD.
85 ACRES

OF ABOVE LANDS WILL BE LET BY AUCTION On FRIDAY NEXT, 8th MARCH, At 12 o'clock sharp.
Card with Acreages on application.

CRAIGIE BROS.,

37 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

LEGAL NOTICES.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
Hon. Mr. Justice Meredith.—1929. No. 2.
In the Matter of
THE COMPANIES (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1908,
And
GEORGE JOHN ALEXANDER AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Meredith has by an Order dated the 28th day of February, 1929, appointed T. Condren Flinn, of 51 Dame street, in the City of Dublin, Chartered Accountant, to be Provisional Liquidator of the above-named Company.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1929.
JOHN HEALY, Examiner.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL JAMES McGANN, R.A.M.C., late of 22 Leeson Park, Dublin, Deceased.

Will all persons having claims against the estate of the above please send particulars to ARTHUR COX and CO., Solicitors for Executrix, 42 Stephen's Green, Dublin.

ANDREW J. KEOGH'S SALES

AT 10 LOWER ORMOND QUAY,
ON FRIDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1929, AT 1.30.

CHARMING RESIDENCE,
"GLENDAIR," KING EDWARD RD., BRAY,
CO. WICKLOW. POSSESSION.

LEASE 123 YEARS. RENT £7 YEARLY. P.L.V., £60
(Per Instructions of Mrs. REIGH, who intends residing in England).

"GLENDAIR" is a Double-fronted Detached Non-basement House, standing on about one English acre, with ornate red-brick facade on cut granite base; bay windows to each storey. Contains spacious hall, two reception rooms, dining-room leading into conservatory, six bedrooms, excellent bath and lavatory accommodation, well appointed kitchen and scullery, out-offices, etc. There is a well-constructed, conveniently placed roomy garage, with non-skid entry to and from front, with electric light; also an extra large tennis court, bordered with floral beds; large plot in front enclosed with handsome railing. This Residence occupies an eminent site with pleasing views of mountain and bay; healthy, convenient, and in excellent decorative and structural condition. There is electric light throughout, also telephone. May be Viewed by Appointment with Auctioneer. Particulars and Conditions of Sale from Messrs. J. D. WALSH & CO., Solicitors, 1 Lower Ormond Quay.

PETER YOUNG, DECEASED.
CONVENIENTLY SITUATED FARM AND HOMESTEAD,
WOODTOWN MANOR, RATHFARNHAM, CO. DUBLIN.

6 MILES FROM G.P.O. AND 3 MILES FROM RATHFARNHAM,
CONTAINING 215 ACRES, 3 ROODS, 24 PERCHES, STATUTE MEASURE.

ALSO, NOS. 1 AND 2 ALEXANDRA VILLAS,
IN THE VILLAGE OF DUNDRUM, IN THREE LOTS.

LOT 1.—WOODTOWN MANOR AND FARM. Held subject to provisions of the Land Acts, 1923-1927, and in respect of which there is at present payable to the Irish Land Commission £129 1s. 6d. per annum, in lieu of rent. The Residence, which is situate in the centre of the Farm, is approached by an avenue, with gatekeeper's lodge, and contains hall, large reception room, diningroom, 5 bedrooms, pantry, scullery, kitchen, coal store, w.c. The Out-offices and accommodation contains cowshed, 25 ties; pony shed, with fitted loose boxes, piggery, hay barn, calf house, machine house, boiler house, Paddock, with sheep dipping bath; Kourick hay shed, 60ft. by 27ft.

Diamond Lodge, a five-roomed Cottage, situate on these Lands, is let, and produces £52 per annum. There is also a four-roomed Bungalow, possession of which will be given to the purchaser.

The Land, which is principally pasturage, is well watered and drained, the fields being of moderate size and convenient of access.

LOT 2.—No. 1 ALEXANDRA VILLAS, DUNDRUM. Held under lease for ever, dated 1902, subject to £20 10s. 0d. per annum, but fully indemnified against £15 7s. 6d. thereof. Consisting of Shop, parlour, three bedrooms, kitchen, separate hall entrance, w.c., small garden, etc.; and is let to a tenant at £52 per annum, landlord paying taxes. The P.L.V. is £21.

LOT 3.—No. 2 ALEXANDRA VILLAS, DUNDRUM. Held similar to Lot 2, and is let to a tenant at £50 per annum, landlord paying rates and taxes. P.L.V., £15. Containing parlour, 3 bedrooms, kitchen, w.c., etc. Small yard at rear, and railed-in plot in front.

Lots 2 and 3 produce, respectively, £46 17s. 6d. and £24 17s. 6d. per annum, less taxes.

Further particulars and Conditions of Sale from Messrs. J. H. WALSH and CO., Solicitors, 1 Lower Ormond quay.

ANDREW J. KEOGH, AUCTIONEER, 10 LR. ORMOND QUAY.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Matter of
CHRISTINA McGIVERE late of Roselle, Church street, Howth, in the County of Dublin, Deceased.

All persons having any claim or demand against the estate of the above, who died on the 10th day of February, 1929, are hereby required to furnish full particulars, in writing, to the undersigned.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1929.
HUNTER and BURLAND, Solicitors, 11 Dame street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
THE REV. TERENCE CAUFIELD, late of Scotshouse, County of Monaghan, Catholic Curate.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22nd and 23rd Vic. Cap. 35, and all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any claim or demand upon or against the estate of the said Reverend Terence Caufield, who died on the 24th day of March, 1928, are hereby required on or before the 29th day of March, 1929, to furnish in writing the particulars of their claim or demand to the undersigned Solicitors for the Revds. Patrick Breen, P.P., of Tuath, the Executor of the said deceased, to whom Probate of the Will of the said deceased was granted on the 25th day of September, 1928, out of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann Principal (Probate) Registry, and Notice is hereby further given, that after the said 29th day of March, 1929, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice shall have been given as above required.

Dated this 28th day of February, 1929.
HENRY MURPHY and SON, Solicitors for the Executor, 25 Suffolk street, Dublin, and Clones, Co. Monaghan.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
PROBATE, DIVORCE AND ADMIRALTY DIVISION (PROBATE).

TO EMMA LAURA ORELL, formerly of 30 Berwick street, Eccleston square, in the County of London, Spinster; RICHARD FREDERICK BELL, formerly of Hunhull Saskatchewan, in the Dominion of Canada, and HENRY BELL, formerly of Dublin, in the Irish Free State, whose present addresses are unknown.

Take notice that Charles Orell has issued citing you to cause an appearance to be entered for you in the Probate Registry, Somerset House, strand, London, England, within two months after publication hereof, and accept service for you of Administration of the estate of HANNAH ELIZABETH MARY EMILY BELL, Deceased, of Corbetry House, Kingscourt, in the County of Cavan, or show cause why the same should not be granted to the Ulster Bank, Limited, of Dundalk as creditors of the estate of the said Deceased within ten days from the date hereof, after your appearance